

SEVENTY-FIRST

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

Town Officers

Southborough, Massachusetts

For the Year Ending December 31

1944

DEPARTMENTAL ACCOUNTS, 1944 —Appropriations, Transfers, Expenditures, Balances

| Department | 1944 Appropriation | Balances Held From 1943 | Transfer From Reserve Fund | From Highway Equip. Rentals | From U. S. Gov., State, County, etc. | Total Available | Total Expended | Bal. Held to Pay Outstanding Bills & Contracts | Transfers to Other Accounts | Unexpended Balance to E. & D. |
|-------------------------------------|---------------------|-------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------------|----------------------|--|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Advisory Board | \$ 15.00 | \$ 2.18 | \$.93 | | | \$ 18.11 | \$ 18.11 | | | |
| Planning Board | 50.00 | | | | | 50.00 | 10.00 | | | \$ 40.00 |
| Selectmen | 640.85 | 5.00 | | | | 645.85 | 638.29 | | | 7.56 |
| Civilian Defense | 200.00 | 60.50 | | | | 260.50 | 127.32 | | | 133.18 |
| Accounting | 810.00 | | | | | 810.00 | 809.88 | | | .12 |
| Treasurer | 875.00 | | 44.45 | | | 919.45 | 919.45 | | | |
| Tax Collector | 901.50 | | | | | 901.50 | 878.49 | | | 23.01 |
| Tax Title Expense | 50.00 | | | | | 50.00 | 5.30 | | | 44.70 |
| Town Clerk | 560.00 | | | | | 560.00 | 539.80 | | | 20.20 |
| Election and Registration | 864.00 | | 113.41 | | | 977.41 | 977.41 | | | |
| Assessors | 1,145.00 | 148.40 | | | | 1,293.40 | 1,289.90 | | | 3.50 |
| Legal Expense | 500.00 | | | | | 500.00 | 400.00 | | | 100.00 |
| Town Hall Maintenance | 1,458.00 | | 375.00 | | | 1,833.00 | 1,425.32 | 307.68 | | 100.00 |
| Ration Board | 150.00 | | | | | 150.00 | 120.37 | | | 29.63 |
| Post War Planning Committee | 250.00 | | | | | 250.00 | | | | 250.00 |
| Police | 3,549.00 | 33.26 | 200.00 | | | 3,782.26 | 3,644.19 | 119.47 | | 18.60 |
| Fire Department Maintenance | 2,155.60 | 594.70 | 500.00 | | | 3,250.30 | 2,068.08 | 1,000.00 | | 182.22 |
| Fire Department Salaries | 2,625.00 | | | | | 2,625.00 | 2,606.60 | | | 18.40 |
| Forest Fires and Equipment | 725.00 | | 469.05 | | | 1,194.05 | 1,114.03 | | | 80.02 |
| Hydrants—Snow Removal | 50.00 | | | | | 50.00 | 23.50 | | | 26.42 |
| Moth Department | 1,000.00 | 78.23 | | | | 1,078.23 | 1,053.98 | 5.55 | | 18.70 |
| Tree Warden | 712.20 | 52.35 | | | | 764.55 | 712.88 | 5.60 | | 46.07 |
| Tree Warden—Private Work | 50.00 | | 178.20 | | | 228.20 | 212.90 | 14.40 | | .90 |
| Sealer of Weights and Measures | 204.22 | | | | | 204.22 | 153.77 | | | 50.45 |
| Board of Health | 1,450.00 | 102.25 | | | | 1,552.25 | 1,356.95 | 46.50 | | 148.80 |
| Inspector of Animals | 120.00 | 19.91 | | | | 139.91 | 139.14 | | | .77 |
| Street and Traffic Lights | 4,012.75 | 263.99 | | | | 4,276.74 | 3,922.24 | 313.96 | | 40.54 |
| Road Machinery Fund | | 2,102.53 | | 1,475.23 | | 3,577.76 | | *\$3,577.76 | | |
| Highway—Chapter 81 | 6,900.00 | 39.55 | | | **5,017.23 | 11,956.78 | 10,074.00 | †1,882.78 | | |
| Highway—Drainage opp. Firmin Prop. | 800.00 | | | | | 800.00 | 258.67 | 541.33 | | |
| Highway—Equipment and Maintenance | 1,885.00 | 52.13 | | | | 1,437.13 | 1,389.16 | | | 47.97 |
| Highway—Power Sand Spreader | 300.00 | | | | | 300.00 | 268.17 | | | 31.88 |
| Highway—Motor Grader | 2,500.00 | | | | | ‡4,000.00 | 6,500.00 | 6,233.20 | 266.80 | |
| Highway—Snow Removal | 1,600.00 | 32.18 | | | | 1,632.18 | 1,427.09 | 204.54 | | .55 |
| Highway—Special Maintenance | 1,200.00 | 106.89 | 100.00 | | | 1,406.89 | 1,350.10 | 26.75 | | 30.04 |
| Highway—Chapter 90 Maintenance | 700.00 | | | | | §875.06 | 1,575.06 | 1,312.60 | ††262.46 | |
| Highway—Southville-Hopkinton Bridge | | 1,000.00 | 125.00 | | | 1,015.58 | 2,140.58 | 14.25 | 2,126.33 | |
| Highway—Drainage—1943 Approp. | | 1,000.00 | | | | 1,000.00 | 998.53 | | | 1.47 |
| Public Welfare | 3,500.00 | | | | | 3,500.00 | 3,439.50 | | | 60.50 |
| Aid to Dependent Children | 1,800.00 | | | | | 1,800.00 | 1,477.97 | | | 322.03 |
| Old Age Assistance | 12,000.00 | | | | | 12,000.00 | 11,780.94 | | | 219.06 |
| Old Age Assistance—Federal Grant | | | | | | 7,424.17 | 7,424.17 | 6,975.42 | | 448.75 |
| Soldiers' Relief | 5,000.00 | | | | | 5,000.00 | 2,058.00 | | | 2,942.00 |
| Schools | 47,919.75 | 1,062.21 | | | | 48,981.96 | 47,635.09 | 1,105.35 | | 241.52 |
| Trade School Tuition | 800.00 | 46.92 | | | | 846.92 | 813.79 | 33.13 | | |
| School Repairs—1943 Appropriation | | 900.00 | | | | 900.00 | 900.00 | | | |
| Library | 1,698.80 | | 260.00 | | §§631.92 | 2,590.72 | 2,557.54 | | | 33.18 |
| Water Department Maintenance | 7,572.50 | 164.02 | | | | 7,736.52 | 7,157.85 | 244.20 | | 334.47 |
| Reserve Fund | 3,000.00 | | | | | 3,000.00 | | | 2,507.60 | 492.40 |
| Fayville Hall | 528.00 | 70.04 | 125.00 | | | 723.04 | 679.44 | 30.90 | | 12.70 |
| Common and Town House Grounds | 420.00 | | | | | 420.00 | 327.43 | | | 92.57 |
| Town Reports | 400.00 | | | | | 400.00 | 400.00 | | | |
| Liability Insurance | 1,343.71 | | | | | 1,343.71 | 1,193.15 | | | 150.56 |
| Fire Insurance | 827.79 | | 8.50 | | | 836.29 | 827.79 | 8.50 | | |
| Memorial Day—Leo Bagley Post | 125.00 | | | | | 125.00 | 125.00 | | | |
| Memorial Day—Choate Post | 15.00 | 9.00 | | | | 24.00 | 9.00 | | | 15.00 |
| Worcester County T. B. Hospital | 2,137.37 | | | | | 2,137.37 | 2,137.37 | | | |
| Selectmen's Playground Fund | 300.00 | | | | | 300.00 | 300.00 | | | |
| Cemetery Maintenance | 4,090.00 | 119.33 | | | | 4,209.33 | 3,752.70 | 350.00 | | 106.63 |
| Cemetery—Concrete Grave Liners | 300.00 | | | | | 300.00 | 289.50 | | | 10.50 |
| Cemetery—Private Work | 100.00 | | | | | 100.00 | | | | 100.00 |
| Interest on Debt | 8,100.00 | | 8.06 | | | 8,108.06 | 8,100.00 | 7.56 | | .50 |
| Debt Retirement | 6,000.00 | | | | *\$†9,000.00 | 15,000.00 | 15,000.00 | | | |
| Totals | \$148,486.04 | \$8,065.57 | \$2,507.60 | \$1,475.23 | \$27,963.96 | \$188,498.40 | \$166,431.23* | *\$12,481.55 | \$2,507.60 | \$7,078.02 |

* Available for New Equipment and Repairs.

** Received and Due from Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

† To be transferred to Excess and Deficiency Account when final payment is received from Commonwealth.

‡ From Excess and Deficiency Account.

§ Received and Due from Commonwealth and County.

†† To be transferred to Excess and Deficiency Account when final payment is received from Commonwealth and County.

§§ Dog License Money from County.

*† From Water Department Available Surplus.

*§ Analysis of Balances Held:

To pay outstanding indebtedness \$6,758.55

Available for Road Equipment 3,577.76

To Excess and Deficiency Account 2,145.24

\$12,481.55

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TOWN OFFICERS, 1944

TOWN CLERK

Marjorie F. McDonald

TREASURER

Regeanne R. Corbett

COLLECTOR OF TAXES

Marjorie F. McDonald

TOWN ACCOUNTANT

Fred W. Bridges

SELECTMEN

| | |
|------------------------|--------------------------|
| Arthur L. Hosmer | Term expires March, 1945 |
| George H. Burnett | Term expires March, 1946 |
| Thomas E. H. Armstrong | Term expires March, 1947 |

ASSESSORS

| | |
|--------------------|--------------------------|
| Ralph H. Clark | Term expires March, 1945 |
| Herbert E. Banfill | Term expires March, 1946 |
| William N. Davis | Term expires March, 1947 |

BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE

| | |
|--------------------|--------------------------|
| Helen Burnett | Term expires March, 1945 |
| Robert H. Johnson | Term expires March, 1946 |
| Ruth W. Harrington | Term expires March, 1947 |

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

| | |
|-------------------|--------------------------|
| Paul J. Redmond | Term expires March, 1945 |
| James G. Stockell | Term expires March, 1946 |
| Edmund H. Bullard | Term expires March, 1947 |

CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS

| | |
|---------------------|--------------------------|
| Edward C. Ramsdell | Term expires March, 1945 |
| John J. O'Reilly | Term expires March, 1946 |
| Patrick J. O'Reilly | Term expires March, 1947 |

BOARD OF HEALTH

| | |
|-------------------|--------------------------|
| Roumelia H. Borst | Term expires March, 1945 |
| James F. Telfer | Term expires March, 1946 |
| Paul P. Henderson | Term expires March, 1947 |

WATER COMMISSIONERS

| | |
|-------------------|--------------------------|
| Charles H. Newton | Term expires March, 1945 |
| Clarence E. Baker | Term expires March, 1946 |
| Aubrey C. Allen | Term expires March, 1947 |

TRUSTEES OF LIBRARY

| | |
|----------------------|--------------------------|
| Charles L. Fairbanks | Term expires March, 1945 |
| Albert S. Woodward | Term expires March, 1945 |
| Hazel B. Burke | Term expires March, 1946 |
| Harrison L. Reinke | Term expires March, 1946 |
| Beatrice Marr | Term expires March, 1947 |
| Charles M. Proctor | Term expires March, 1945 |

PLANNING BOARD

| | |
|--------------------|--------------------------|
| Charles H. Newton | Term expires March, 1945 |
| Wallace N. Nelson | Term expires March, 1946 |
| Erwin L. Smith | Term expires March, 1947 |
| J. Russell Wakelin | Term expires March, 1948 |
| Edward T. Tedeschi | Term expires March, 1949 |

ADVISORY COMMITTEE

| | |
|-----------------|------------------|
| Charles Fantony | Charles W. Varey |
| Francis Lapine | Frank T. Holland |
| Herbert Holmes | Alfred W. Howes |

INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

William H. Onthank

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Harold M. Gunsolley, Sr.

DOG OFFICER

Robert W. Sealey

TREE WARDEN

Harry Burnett

REGISTRARS OF VOTERS

| | |
|-----------------------|----------------------|
| Elizabeth R. Colleary | Marjorie F. McDonald |
| Sereno W. Johnson | John H. Maley |

CHIEF OF FIRE DEPARTMENT

John W. Boland

SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS

Robert W. Sealey

BURIAL AGENT

Merle E. Bogart

PUBLIC WEIGHERS AND WEIGHERS OF COAL

George Boothby Thomas F. Fitzgerald

Harold M. Gunsolley Sylvester I. Hosmer

Howard Lincoln Joseph Mauro

Leo Pessini

TOWN COUNSEL

Eleonora F. Burke

POLICE

James E. Giffin, Chief

Burton B. Derby Eugene Rossi

Harold M. Gunsolley, Sr. James F. Telfer

Sylvester I. Hosmer James A. Trioli

Francis Pessini Elwood K. Gould

Fred J. Quinn Francis E. Ramelli

Paul Henderson Alfred R. Watkins

George W. Hunt John V. Finn, Jr.

James F. Telfer, Fire Patrol Officer

CONSTABLES

Herbert E. Banfill James E. Giffin

FENCE VIEWERS

Thomas H. Ferris Herbert Cook

Victor Baldelli Albert Cook

FIELD DRIVER

James E. Giffin John W. Boland

Norman Johnson

MOTH SUPERINTENDENT

William H. Onthank

SOLDIERS' RELIEF AGENT

Merle W. Bogart

FOREST WARDEN

John W. Boland

FAYVILLE HALL COMMITTEE

Charles H. Nichols

Joseph Delarda

Eunice Brock

POUND KEEPER

Rev. Robert F. Cheney

REPORT OF TOWN ACCOUNTANT FOR 1944

To the Board of Selectmen,
Southborough, Massachusetts.

Gentlemen:

I respectfully submit the annual report of the financial operations of the town for the year ending December 31, 1944.

F. W. BRIDGES,
Town Accountant

REVENUE RECEIPTS, 1944

1. Taxes of 1944:

| | |
|--------------|-------------------|
| Polls | \$1,070.00 |
| Personal | 16,987.40 |
| Real Estate | 63,406.54 |
| Motor Excise | 2,959.50 |
| | <hr/> \$84,423.44 |

2. Taxes of 1943:

| | |
|--------------|----------------|
| Personal | 299.02 |
| Real Estate | 8,089.84 |
| Motor Excise | 42.40 |
| | <hr/> 8,431.26 |

3. Taxes of 1942:

| | |
|-------------|----------------|
| Personal | 20.05 |
| Real Estate | 1,055.15 |
| | <hr/> 1,075.20 |

4. Taxes of 1941:

| | |
|-------------|-------------|
| Real Estate | 18.60 |
| | <hr/> 18.60 |

5. Tax Title Redemptions

| | |
|--------|--------------|
| 554.49 | <hr/> 554.49 |
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Total Receipts from Taxes

\$94,502.99

FROM GENERAL GOVERNMENT

| | | |
|-----|-------------------------------|-------------|
| 6. | From Commonwealth For: | |
| | Income Tax | 12,415.00 |
| | Business Corp. Tax | 8,712.54 |
| | M.D.C. in lieu of taxes | 3,418.10 |
| | Temp. Aid and Transp. | 359.45 |
| | Aid to Dependent Child. | 482.42 |
| | Meal Tax | 404.14 |
| | War Allowance | 475.00 |
| | Old Age Assistance | 7,003.18 |
| | | 33,269.83 |
| 7. | From Licenses: | |
| | Liquor | 232.00 |
| | Garage | 3.00 |
| | Junk | 5.00 |
| | Victualers | 3.00 |
| | Bones and Fat | 1.00 |
| | All others | 38.00 |
| | | 282.00 |
| 8. | From Permits: | |
| | Pipe Permit | 50.00 |
| | | 50.00 |
| 9. | From Fines: | |
| | Departmental | 20.00 |
| | | 20.00 |
| 10. | From Federal Grants: | |
| | Old Age Assistance | 7,424.17 |
| | Aid to Dependent Child. | 308.83 |
| | | 7,733.00 |
| 11. | From County: | |
| | Dog Licenses | 596.68 |
| | | 596.68 |
| 12. | From Gifts: | |
| | Saint Mark's School | 2,700.00 |
| | | 2,700.00 |
| | Total from General Government | \$44,651.51 |

FROM SPECIAL ASSESSMENT

| | | |
|-----|------------------------|--------|
| 13. | From Moth Assessments: | |
| | 1944 | 150.20 |

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|---|----------|-----------|
| 1943 | 39.55 | |
| 1942 | 4.65 | |
| 1941 | .63 | |
| | | 195.03 |
| Total from Special Assessments | | \$195.03 |
| FROM COMMERCIAL REVENUE | | |
| 14. From General Government: | | |
| Town Hall Rent | 38.00 | |
| | | 38.00 |
| 15. From Protection of Persons and Property: | | |
| Fire Dept. | 3.00 | |
| Sealer of Weights and Measures | 19.87 | |
| Tree Warden, priv. work | 43.20 | |
| Services of Dog Officer | 50.00 | |
| | | 116.07 |
| 16. From Health and Sanitation: | | |
| Comm. of Mass. Dept. of Public Health, subsidy | 493.57 | |
| Reimbursement, Indiv. | 27.00 | |
| | | 520.57 |
| 17. From Highways: | | |
| C. of M. Highway Con. | 4,591.82 | |
| County of Worc. Highway Contracts | 1,165.41 | |
| C. of M. Snow Removal | 10.00 | |
| School Dept. | 2.25 | |
| C. of M. Chapter 569 acts of 1943 | 5,597.17 | |
| | | 11,366.65 |
| 18. From Public Welfare: | | |
| Reimb. by Cities, Towns | 353.80 | |
| Reimb. by Individuals | 252.45 | |
| | | 606.25 |
| 19. From Old Age Assistance: | | |
| Reimb. by Cities, Towns | 109.87 | |
| Reimb. by Individuals | 136.00 | |
| | | 245.87 |

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| 20. | From Education: | |
| | C. of M. Supt. | |
| | Small Towns | 772.67 |
| | C. of M. Tuition | 2,584.78 |
| | C. of M. Manual Training | |
| | Schools | 43.07 |
| | Refund 1943 Payment | 1.02 |
| | | <hr/> |
| | | 3,401.54 |
| 21. | From Libraries: | |
| | Fines | 19.00 |
| | | <hr/> |
| | | 19.00 |
| 22. | From Unclassified: | |
| | Fayville Hall Rent | 14.00 |
| | Refund a/c Workmens | |
| | Comp. Ins. | 265.69 |
| | Uncashed Checks— | |
| | Previous years | 62.76 |
| | | <hr/> |
| | | 342.45 |
| 23. | From Water Dept.: | |
| | Metered Rates | 17,603.64 |
| | Service Charges | 89.89 |
| | Miscellaneous | 8.35 |
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| | | 17,701.88 |
| 24. | From Cemeteries: | |
| | Sale of Lots and Graves | 288.75 |
| | Burials | 1,042.00 |
| | Care of Lots | 430.50 |
| | Foundations | 186.00 |
| | Telephone | 1.35 |
| | | <hr/> |
| | | 1,948.60 |
| 25. | From Interest and Costs: | |
| | Interest, 1944 Taxes | 36.28 |
| | Costs, 1944 Taxes | 15.05 |
| | Interest, 1944 M.V. Excise | .13 |
| | Interest, 1943 Taxes | 211.83 |
| | Interest, 1943 M.V. Excise | .36 |
| | Interest, 1942 Taxes | 100.38 |
| | Interest, 1941 Taxes | .69 |
| | Interest, J. Lowell Bacon Fund | 155.02 |

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| Int., Wilson Charity Fund | 60.00 |
| Int., Fay Library Fund | 60.97 |
| Interest, Cemetery | |
| Trust Funds | 490.89 |
| Int., Lucria Brigham Fund | 20.00 |
| Int. on Tax Titles Red. | 44.06 |
| Costs—Tax Titles Red. | 3.00 |
| | 1,198.66 |
| Total from Commercial Revenue | \$87,505.54 |
| NON-REVENUE RECEIPTS | |
| 26. Agency Accounts: | |
| Dog License for County | 672.00 |
| Withholding Tax for | |
| U.S. Government | 1,016.50 |
| | 1,688.50 |
| 27. Trust Funds: | |
| Cemetery Perpetual Care | |
| Deposits | 1,573.00 |
| | 1,573.00 |
| 28. Trust Funds for Re-investment: | |
| J. Lowell Bacon Fund | 10,000.00 |
| Cemetery Trust Funds | 6,025.00 |
| Fay Library Fund | 611.68 |
| | 16,636.68 |
| 29. Highway Loan: | |
| First National Bank | |
| of Marlboro | 1,992.44 |
| | 1,992.44 |
| 30. From Transfers: | |
| Reserve Fund to, | |
| Southville-Hopkinton | |
| Bridge | 125.00 |
| Forest Fires | 469.05 |
| Treasurer | 44.45 |
| Highway—Special Main. | 100.00 |
| Fayville Hall | 125.00 |
| Town Hall | 375.00 |
| Police | 200.00 |
| Library | 260.00 |

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| Election and Regist. | 113.41 |
| Tree Warden—priv. wk. | 178.20 |
| Advisory Board | .93 |
| Interest—Highway Note | 8.06 |
| Insurance—Fire | 8.50 |
| Fire Dept. | 500.00 |
| | _____ |
| | 2,507.60 |
| 31. To Cemetery Accounts from Cemetery Reserve Fund | 250.00 |
| | _____ |
| 32. Dept. Transfers to Highway Mch. Fund from Ch. 81 | 1,207.23 |
| From Chapter 90 | 250.00 |
| From Special Main. | 18.00 |
| | _____ |
| | 1,475.23 |
| 33. Dept. Transfers to Water Rates from: | |
| Town Hall | 24.00 |
| Fire Dept. | 28.66 |
| Schools | 72.00 |
| Fayville Hall | 24.00 |
| Cemetery | 24.00 |
| | _____ |
| | 172.66 |
| Total from Non-Revenue Receipts | \$26,296.11 |

BALANCES

| | |
|---|--------------|
| Balance on hand and on deposit, December 31, 1943: | |
| General Cash Account | 87,225.47 |
| Willson Fund Income | 140.83 |
| Fay Library Fund Income | 207.13 |
| Rural Cemetery Res. Fund | 828.69 |
| J. Lowell Bacon Fund Inc. | 536.43 |
| Total of Cash Balances, Dec. 31, 1943 | 88,938.55 |
| | _____ |
| Total of All Receipts and Balances | \$292,089.73 |

PAYMENTS, 1944

GENERAL GOVERNMENT

| | |
|--------------------------|-------|
| 1. Advisory Board: | |
| Print., Sta. and Postage | 18.11 |
| | _____ |
| | 18.11 |

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| 2. | Planning Board: | |
| | Dues, Mass. Fed. of Planning Boards | 10.00 |
| | | 10.00 |
| 3. | Selectmen: | |
| | Salary—Selectmen (3) | 450.00 |
| | Salary—Clerk | 75.00 |
| | Clerical Labor | 10.00 |
| | Sta., Ptg. and Postage | 46.59 |
| | Transportation—(Clerk) | 5.00 |
| | Post Office Box Rent | 1.80 |
| | Association Dues | 9.00 |
| | Associa. Meeting Expense | 6.50 |
| | Selectmen's Expense | 27.00 |
| | Express | .40 |
| | Miscellaneous | 7.00 |
| | | 638.29 |
| 4. | Accountant: | |
| | Salary | 750.00 |
| | Sta., Ptg., and Postage | 55.23 |
| | Telephone | 4.65 |
| | | 809.88 |
| 5. | Treasurer: | |
| | Salary | 500.00 |
| | Insurance | 31.00 |
| | Sta., Ptg., and Postage | 74.02 |
| | Transportation, | 9.60 |
| | Telephone | 2.05 |
| | Surety Bond | 225.00 |
| | Treas. Associa. Meetings | 14.00 |
| | Adding Machine Repairs | 12.00 |
| | Moving Treasurer's office | 8.00 |
| | Furniture | 33.20 |
| | Express | 2.58 |
| | Rent Safe Deposit Box | 6.00 |
| | Certification of Note | 2.00 |
| | | 919.45 |
| 6. | Collector: | |
| | Salary | 600.00 |
| | Sta., Ptg., and Postage | 134.74 |

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| Surety Bonds | 115.25 |
| Insurance | 20.00 |
| Association Dues | 2.00 |
| Association Meetings | 6.00 |
| Miscellaneous Expense | .50 |
| | — |
| | 878.49 |
| 7. Assessors: | |
| Salaries (3) | 975.00 |
| Assistants | 40.00 |
| Clerical Assistance | 75.00 |
| Sta., Ptg., and Postage | 60.44 |
| Transportation | 25.00 |
| Telephone | .75 |
| Assessors Expense | 15.00 |
| Dues and Expense | |
| Assessors Conference | 8.00 |
| Post Office Box Rent | 1.00 |
| Dues—Mass. Assess. Asso. | 6.00 |
| Abstracts | 53.66 |
| Map | 3.50 |
| Tax Appeal Expense | 26.55 |
| | — |
| | 1,289.90 |
| 8. Town Clerk: | |
| Salary | 350.00 |
| Recording Fees | 72.00 |
| Administering Oaths | 7.50 |
| Sta., Ptg., and Postage | 50.99 |
| Telephone | 43.31 |
| Surety Bond | 5.00 |
| Association Dues | 5.00 |
| Association Meetings | 6.00 |
| | — |
| | 539.80 |
| 9. Election and Registration: | |
| Salary, Registrars (4) | 100.00 |
| Election officers | 411.47 |
| Other Labor | 207.50 |
| Sta., Ptg. and Postage | 180.79 |
| Meals | 71.65 |
| Repairing Ballot Box | 6.00 |
| | — |
| | 977.41 |

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| 10. | Tax Title Expense: | |
| | Treasurer's Costs | 3.30 |
| | Collectors Costs | 2.00 |
| | | 5.30 |
| 11. | Legal Department: | |
| | Salary, Town Counsel | 300.00 |
| | Fees, Town Counsel | 100.00 |
| | | 400.00 |
| 12. | Civilian Defense: | |
| | Telephone | 58.96 |
| | Fuel | 60.50 |
| | Gasoline | 2.86 |
| | Property Officer Bond | 5.00 |
| | | 127.32 |
| 13. | Town Hall: | |
| | Salary—Janitor | 900.00 |
| | Fuel | 329.55 |
| | Light | 95.60 |
| | Janitor's supplies | 10.25 |
| | Repairs | 14.09 |
| | Telephone | 51.83 |
| | Water | 24.00 |
| | | 1,425.32 |
| 14. | Ration Board: | |
| | Telephone | 76.44 |
| | Office Supplies | 43.93 |
| | | 120.37 |
| | Total Payments for General Government, | \$8,159.64 |

PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY

| | | |
|-----|--------------------------|----------|
| 15. | Police: | |
| | Salary, Chief | 366.00 |
| | Salaries, Patrolmen | 1,803.75 |
| | Special Police | 39.95 |
| | Salary, Fayville officer | 539.15 |
| | Salary, Dog officer | 75.00 |
| | Fees, Dog officer | 24.00 |
| | Repairs Motor Equipment | 76.80 |

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|-----------------------------|----------|
| Gasoline, Oil, etc. | 173.34 |
| Auto Ins. and Regis. | 88.80 |
| Equipment for Men | 11.89 |
| Auto Supplies | 2.52 |
| Ptg., Sta., and Postage | 12.85 |
| Telephone | 99.39 |
| Swimming Pool | 317.50 |
| Medical Care | 5.00 |
| Lock-up Expense | 8.25 |
| | 3,644.19 |
| 16. Fire Dept. Maintenance: | |
| Salaries | 2,606.60 |
| Equipment for Men | 122.22 |
| New Equipment | 230.37 |
| Water | 28.66 |
| Repairs, Trucks and | |
| Equipment | 155.96 |
| Gasoline and Oil | 44.81 |
| Truck Supplies | 13.45 |
| Fuel | 452.05 |
| Light | 141.24 |
| City Gas | 35.58 |
| Building Repairs | 227.97 |
| Sta., Ptg., and Postage | 21.80 |
| Telephone | 100.61 |
| Janitor's supplies | 9.64 |
| Association Dues | 6.00 |
| Convention Expense | 9.00 |
| Liability Insurance | |
| 4-5-44; 12-31-44 | 464.59 |
| Miscellaneous Expense | 4.13 |
| | 4,674.68 |
| 17. Hydrant, Snow Removal: | |
| Labor | 23.58 |
| | 23.58 |
| 18. Moth: | |
| Supt. Labor | 500.00 |
| Other Labor | 215.65 |
| Sta., Ptg., and Postage | 3.25 |
| Insecticides | 68.15 |

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|-------------------------------------|----------|
| Hardware and Tools | 3.72 |
| Truck and Car Hire | 205.60 |
| Light and Power | 12.00 |
| Gas and Oil | 40.41 |
| Miscellaneous Supplies | 5.20 |
| | 1,053.98 |
| 19. Tree Warden: | |
| Warden's Salary | 25.00 |
| Supt. Labor | 266.55 |
| Other Labor | 103.93 |
| Truck and Car Hire | 228.25 |
| Sta., Ptg., and Postage | 3.25 |
| Trees | 10.00 |
| Insecticides | 65.76 |
| Gas and Oil | 8.50 |
| All Other | 1.64 |
| | 712.88 |
| 20. Forest Fires: | |
| Warden's Salary | 50.00 |
| Labor—Fighting Fires | 728.70 |
| Labor—Fire Patrol | 51.35 |
| Labor—Clerical | 11.00 |
| Hose | 192.16 |
| Transportation— | |
| Fire Patrol | 49.20 |
| Gasoline and Oil | 15.62 |
| Repairs | 7.50 |
| Printing | 8.50 |
| | 1,114.03 |
| 21. Tree Warden—Private Work: | |
| Labor | 212.90 |
| | 212.90 |
| 22. Sealer of Weights and Measures: | |
| Salary | 75.00 |
| Fees | 3.00 |
| Supplies | 9.35 |
| Rent | 27.73 |
| Repairs to Equipment | 1.24 |

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|------------------|-------|
| Insurance | 12.45 |
| Sealer's Expense | 25.00 |

153.77

Total of Protection of Persons and Property \$11,590.01

HEALTH AND SANITATION

23. Board of Health:

| | |
|---------------------------|----------|
| Salaries | 75.00 |
| Agent | 10.00 |
| Sta., Ptg., and Postage | 28.65 |
| Telephone | 10.00 |
| File Cabinet. | 9.25 |
| Labor | 5.50 |
| Board and care, Worcester | |
| County Sanatorium | 1,060.50 |
| Transportation | 86.25 |
| Post Office Box Rent | 1.80 |
| Child Welfare | 50.00 |
| Clinic | 10.00 |
| Inspec. of Slaughtering | 10.00 |

1,356.95

24. Inspector of Animals:

| | |
|--------------|--------|
| Salary | 100.00 |
| 1943 Expense | 19.91 |
| 1944 Expense | 19.23 |

139.14

Total of Health and Sanitation \$1,496.09

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

25. Street and Traffic Lights:

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|----------------|------------|
| Street Lights | \$3,896.44 |
| Traffic Lights | 25.80 |

3,922.24

26. Highway, Special Maintenance:

| | |
|----------------|--------|
| Labór, Supt. | 162.00 |
| Labor, Drivers | 530.08 |
| Labor, Other | 302.93 |

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|-----|--------------------------------|-----------|
| | Hired Equipment | 16.00 |
| | Town of Southboro | |
| | Equipment Rentals | 18.00 |
| | Broken Stone, gravel, etc. | 41.21 |
| | Equipment and Repairs | 25.41 |
| | Telephone | 58.40 |
| | Ptg., Sta., and Postage | 9.28 |
| | Engineer's Drawings | 50.00 |
| | Flag Pole | 41.50 |
| | Miscellaneous Supplies | 54.24 |
| | Small Tools | 15.05 |
| | Cement | 26.00 |
| | | 1,350.10 |
| 27. | Highway, Equip. and Maint.: | |
| | Labor, Drivers | 90.60 |
| | Labor, Other | 15.00 |
| | Equipment and Repairs | 684.03 |
| | Gasoline and Oil | 341.30 |
| | Miscellaneous Supplies | 39.99 |
| | Ins. and Registration | 157.64 |
| | Fuel | 60.60 |
| | | 1,389.16 |
| 28. | Highway, Chap. 81 Maintenance: | |
| | Labor, Supt. | 1,366.80 |
| | Labor, Drivers | 1,405.07 |
| | Labor, Other | 2,281.09 |
| | Hired Equipment | 190.11 |
| | Town of Southboro | |
| | Equipment Rentals | 1,207.23 |
| | Broken Stone, grav., etc. | 490.34 |
| | Tarvia and Road Oil | 3,078.35 |
| | Repair signs and Posts | 26.50 |
| | Small Tools | 28.51 |
| | | 10,074.00 |
| 29. | Highway, Chap. 90 Maint.: | |
| | Labor, Supt. | 179.20 |
| | Labor, Drivers | 232.20 |
| | Labor, Other | 419.81 |
| | Hired Equipment | 28.75 |
| | Town of Southboro | |

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|-----|--|----------|
| | Equipment Rentals | 250.00 |
| | Broken Stone, grav., etc. | 28.42 |
| | Tarvia and Road Oil | 174.22 |
| 30. | Highway, Southville-Hopkinton Bridge: | |
| | Advertising | 14.25 |
| | | 14.25 |
| 31. | Highway, Motor Grader: | |
| | Grader (Cab on order) | 6,213.20 |
| | Expense | 20.00 |
| | | 6,233.20 |
| 32. | Highway, Sand Spreader: | |
| | Sand Spreader | 268.17 |
| | | 268.17 |
| 33. | Highway—Drainage (opp. Firmin property) | |
| | Labor, Supt. | 12.80 |
| | Labor, Drivers | 51.49 |
| | Labor, Other | 74.38 |
| | Pipe | 120.00 |
| | | 258.67 |
| 34. | Highway, Drainage 1943 App.: | |
| | Labor, Supt. | 36.00 |
| | Labor, Drivers | 152.62 |
| | Labor, Other | 126.05 |
| | Hired Equipment | 84.00 |
| | Pipe | 361.66 |
| | Curb Inlets | 77.00 |
| | Building Manholes | 121.00 |
| | Cement | 29.60 |
| | Fuel Oil | 10.60 |
| | | 998.53 |
| 35. | Highway, Snow and Ice Removal: | |
| | Labor, Supt. | 187.40 |
| | Labor, Drivers | 381.67 |
| | Labor, Other | 279.20 |
| | Gasoline and Oil | 93.73 |
| | Car and Truck Hire | 21.75 |
| | Telephone | 4.21 |
| | Lunches | 10.95 |

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|---------------------------|-------------|
| Fuel Oil | 10.60 |
| Miscellaneous Supplies | 16.25 |
| Teams | 52.50 |
| Repairs | 200.75 |
| Salt | 90.00 |
| Sand | 78.08 |
| | <hr/> |
| | 1,427.09 |
| Total of Highway Payments | \$27,248.01 |

SOLDIERS' BENEFITS

| | |
|-------------------------------------|------------|
| 36. Soldiers' Relief: | |
| Cash Aid to Individ. | 1,920.00 |
| Medical | 138.00 |
| | <hr/> |
| | 2,058.00 |
| Total of Soldiers' Benefit Payments | \$2,058.00 |

CHARITIES AND AID

| | |
|---------------------------|----------|
| 37. Public Welfare Dept.: | |
| Salaries and Wages | 330.00 |
| Groceries and Provisions | 229.30 |
| Coal and Wood | 87.00 |
| Board and Care | 2,197.18 |
| Medicine and Med. Att. | 138.00 |
| Cash Grants to Individ. | 351.00 |
| Post Office Box Rent | 2.40 |
| Dues and Subscriptions | 13.00 |
| Taxi and Ambulance | 23.20 |
| Medical Supplies | 4.40 |
| Clothing | 14.95 |
| Telephone | 7.90 |
| Travel Expense | 29.94 |
| Equipment repair | 3.00 |
| Stationery and Postage | 6.73 |
| Office Supplies | 1.50 |
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| | 3,439.50 |

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| 38. Aid to Dependent Children: | |
| Board and Care | 1,439.90 |
| Administration Expense: | |
| Salary | 27.60 |

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| Postage and Stationery | 2.07 |
| Travel Expense | 6.30 |
| Telephone | 2.10 |
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| | 1,477.97 |

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| Total Payments, Charities and Aid | \$4,917.47 |
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OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

39. Old Age Assistance:

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|-------------------------|-----------|
| Cash Aid, Men | 4,075.40 |
| Cash Aid, Women | 12,905.22 |
| Other Cities & Towns | 1,021.64 |
| Administration Expense: | |
| Salary | 611.40 |
| Telephone | 21.45 |
| Travel Expense | 72.00 |
| Postage and Stationery | 49.25 |
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| | 18,756.36 |

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| Total Payments, Old Age Assistance | \$18,756.36 |
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EDUCATION

40. Trade Schools:

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|----------------|--------|
| Tuition, Boys | 775.38 |
| Tuition, Girls | 38.41 |
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| | 813.79 |

41. School Repairs Article 15 Annual

Meeting March 8, 1943

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|---------------------|--------|
| Balance of Contract | 900.00 |
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| | 900.00 |

42. School Dept.

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|-------------------------|----------|
| Committee Salaries | 300.00 |
| Supt. Salary | 1,399.92 |
| Supt. Expense | 202.96 |
| Truant Officer's Salary | 25.00 |
| Ptg., Sta., and Postage | 55.97 |
| Telephone | 178.08 |
| School Dentist | 50.00 |
| School Physician | 100.00 |
| Laundry | 1.29 |

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|-----------------------------|-------------|
| Advertising | 5.00 |
| Safety Supplies | 4.08 |
| Freight and Express | 3.55 |
| Equipment Repairs | 24.00 |
| New Equipment | 444.55 |
| Teachers' Salaries: | |
| High School | 13,828.22 |
| Elementary Schools | 13,427.89 |
| Music | 439.00 |
| Drawing | 435.00 |
| High School Books | 167.83 |
| High School Supplies | 194.57 |
| Manual Training Sup. | 139.65 |
| Transportation of Children | |
| Busses | 5,160.00 |
| Insurance | 376.63 |
| Janitors | 3,921.24 |
| Fuel | 1,872.71 |
| Light and Power | 349.95 |
| Building Repairs | 1,647.64 |
| Janitors' Supplies | 190.80 |
| Domestic Science Sup. | 104.45 |
| Water | 72.00 |
| Graduation Expense | 14.40 |
| Recreation Supplies | 127.16 |
| Salary, School Nurse | 870.00 |
| Supplies, School Nurse | 9.18 |
| Elem. School Books | 635.47 |
| Elem. School Supplies | 556.90 |
| | 47,635.09 |
| Total of Education Payments | \$49,348.88 |

LIBRARIES

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|----------------------|--------|
| 43. Library: | |
| Librarian's Salary | 840.00 |
| Assistants' Salaries | 205.00 |
| Janitors' Salaries | 556.49 |
| Books | 270.77 |
| Periodicals | 83.95 |
| Transportation | 28.00 |

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|-------------------------|----------|
| Removal of Ashes | 4.25 |
| Fuel | 348.10 |
| Light | 39.53 |
| Repairs | 101.94 |
| Subscription | 10.00 |
| Supplies | 1.15 |
| Sta., Ptg., and Advert. | 1.30 |
| Janitors' Supplies | 61.65 |
| All Other | 5.41 |
| | 2,557.54 |

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| Total of Library Payments | \$2,557.54 |
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UNCLASSIFIED ACCOUNTS

- | | |
|------------------------------------|----------|
| 44. Memorial Day: | |
| American Legion | 125.00 |
| Vets of F.W.(1943) | 9.00 |
| | 134.00 |
| 45. Town Reports: | |
| Printing | 380.00 |
| Distribution | 20.00 |
| | 400.00 |
| 46. Insurance: | |
| Firemen's Group Ins. | 312.50 |
| Fire Insurance | 827.79 |
| Workmen's Com. Ins. | 714.15 |
| Boiler Insurance | 166.50 |
| | 2,020.94 |
| 47. Common and Town House Grounds: | |
| Labor | 116.88 |
| Supplies | .35 |
| Flags | 22.45 |
| Lettering Honor Roll | 15.75 |
| Flag Pole Repairs | 172.00 |
| | 327.43 |
| 48. Selectmen's Playground Fund: | |
| Instructors | 252.00 |
| Supplies | 48.00 |
| | 300.00 |

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|---------------------------------------|------------|
| 49. Fayville Hall: | |
| Janitor | 310.00 |
| Fuel | 296.48 |
| Light | 30.72 |
| Water | 24.00 |
| Repairs | 18.24 |
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| | 679.44 |
| Total Payments, Unclassified Accounts | \$3,861.81 |

PUBLIC SERVICE

| | |
|------------------------------|----------|
| 50. Water Dept. Maintenance: | |
| Commissioners' Salaries | 100.00 |
| Superintendent's Sal. | 1,999.89 |
| Registrar and Clerks | 152.25 |
| Sta., Ptg. and Postage | 102.01 |
| Telephone | 59.27 |
| Collectors Bond | 10.00 |
| Registration and Insurance | 5.73 |
| Subscription and Dues | 12.00 |
| Paint for Tanks | 744.63 |
| Equipment Repairs | 16.06 |
| Labor | 637.88 |
| Meters and Fittings | 97.05 |
| Gasoline and Oil | 160.14 |
| Small Tools | 48.25 |
| Truck Repairs | 129.99 |
| Truck Supplies | 3.15 |
| Hydrant Repairs | 12.00 |
| Pipe and Fittings | 184.05 |
| Packing | .35 |
| Fuel Oil | 211.11 |
| Building Repairs | 103.05 |
| Supplies | 23.15 |
| Coal and Coke | 8.60 |
| Chlorine | 12.49 |
| Light and Power | 2,208.68 |

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|----------------------------------|------------|
| Fire and Burglary Ins. | |
| on Tools | 112.42 |
| All Other | 3.65 |
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| | 7,157.85 |
| Total of Public Service Payments | \$7,157.85 |

CEMETERIES

| | |
|-----------------------------|------------|
| 51. Cemetery Maintenance: | |
| Salary, Super. | 1,560.00 |
| Commis. Sal. 1943-44 | 150.00 |
| Labor | 1,499.99 |
| Fertilizer and Seed | 114.32 |
| Tools | 22.30 |
| Gasoline and Oil | 9.75 |
| Ptg., Sta., and Postage | 31.89 |
| Telephone | 45.96 |
| Hired Equipment | 11.00 |
| New Equipment | 79.11 |
| Equipment Repairs | 157.90 |
| Cement | 23.60 |
| Lumber | 10.88 |
| Water | 24.00 |
| Subscriptions | 12.00 |
| | <hr/> |
| | 3,752.70 |
| 52. Cemetery—Cement Liners: | |
| Containers | 289.50 |
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| | 289.50 |
| 53. Old Cemetery: | |
| Labor | 153.78 |
| Loam | 51.00 |
| Truck Hire | 21.75 |
| | <hr/> |
| | 226.53 |
| Total Cemetery Payments | \$4,268.73 |

INTEREST

| | |
|------------------------|----------|
| 54. Interest Payments: | |
| Town Water Loan | 6,400.00 |
| School Loan | 450.00 |

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|---------------------|----------|
| Fayville Water Loan | 1,235.00 |
| Fire Engine Loan | 15.00 |
| | <hr/> |
| | 8,100.00 |

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| Total Payments for Interest | \$8,100.00 |
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MUNICIPAL INDEBTEDNESS

| | |
|---------------------|-----------|
| 55. Maturing Debt: | |
| Water Loan | 10,000.00 |
| School Loan | 2,000.00 |
| Fayville Water Loan | 2,000.00 |
| Fire Engine Loan | 1,000.00 |
| | <hr/> |
| | 15,000.00 |

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|---------------------------------|-------------|
| Total Payments for Indebtedness | \$15,000.00 |
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AGENCY AND TRUST

| | |
|------------------------|-----------|
| 56. Agency: | |
| County Tax | 5,712.53 |
| State Tax | 6,655.00 |
| Auditing Mun. Acc. | 555.10 |
| Dog Lic. for County | 670.20 |
| Worc. Cty. T.B. Hosp. | 2,123.37 |
| With. Tax., U.S. Gov. | 2,290.63 |
| State Parks and Con. | 111.29 |
| | <hr/> |
| | 18,118.12 |
| 57. Trust Investments: | |
| Perp. Care Funds Inv. | 2,133.00 |
| Perp. Care Fd. Reinv. | 6,025.00 |
| J. Lowell Bacon Fund | |
| Reinvested | 10,000.00 |
| Fay Lib. Fund Rein. | 611.68 |
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| | 18,769.68 |

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|---------------------------------|-------------|
| 58. Trust Payments: | |
| Adjustment of Bacon Fund | |
| Interest | .10 |
| Willson Char. Fund. Inc. | 50.00 |
| Fay Library Fund, Inc. | 106.14 |
| Perp. Care Fund, Inc. | 962.03 |
| | <hr/> |
| | 1,118.27 |
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| Total Agency and Trust Payments | \$38,006.07 |

59. Excess and Deficiency

Warrant issued by order of state
 Auditor to cover unauthorized
 payment to H. G. Blount
 in Sept., 1942

53.84

53.84

Total Excess and Deficiency Payments

\$53.84

REFUNDS

60. Refunded on Account of:

Real Estate Taxes 2,550.63
 Motor Excise Taxes 3.55

2,554.18

Total of Refund Payments

2,554.18

Total of All Cash Payments

\$205,134.48

61. Transfers from

Res. Fund to Dept. Ac. 2,507.60
 Cem. Res. Fund to
 Cemetery Accounts 250.00

2,757.60

\$2,757.60**BALANCES**

Balances on hand and on

Deposit Dec. 31, 1944:

General Cash 82,799.57
 Willson Fund Income 150.83
 Fay Library Fund Income 161.96
 Rural Cemetery Res. Fund 393.84
 J. Lowell Bacon Fund, Income 691.45

84,197.65

Total of Cash Balance December 31, 1944

84,197.65

Total of All Payments and Balances

\$292,089.73

Note: The payments shown above are the actual payments

made during the year ending December 31, 1944, and do not necessarily represent the total payments charged against the 1944 Appropriation.

REPORT OF THE TOWN TREASURER

Southborough, Massachusetts.

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen:

I hereby submit the annual report of the Town Treasurer for the financial year ending December 31, 1944.

Cash on hand, January 1, 1944

| | |
|--------------------------|-------------|
| (as per previous report) | \$85,115.29 |
|--------------------------|-------------|

Less adjustment made by State Auditor

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|----------------|------|
| April 17, 1944 | 3.26 |
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| | 85,112.03 |
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|---------------------------|------------|
| Receipts from all sources | 195,306.89 |
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| | \$280,418.92 |
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| Expended as per Treasury warrants | 196,221.27 |
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| Cash on hand December 31, 1944 | 84,197.65 |
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| | \$280,418.92 |
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Respectfully submitted,

REGEANNE R. CORBETT,
Treasurer

Investments of Trust Funds

John L. Bacon Fund. Invested in:

| | |
|----------------------------|-------------|
| United States Treas. Bonds | \$10,000.00 |
|----------------------------|-------------|

Fay Library Fund. Invested in:

| | |
|-----------------------------|----------|
| American Tel. & Tel. Shares | 1,000.00 |
|-----------------------------|----------|

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|--------------------------|--------|
| Marlborough Savings Bank | 611.68 |
|--------------------------|--------|

Willson Charity Fund. Invested in:

| | |
|------------------------------|----------|
| United Shoe Machinery Shares | 1,000.00 |
|------------------------------|----------|

Lucretia Brigham Fund. Invested in:

| | |
|-------------------------------|----------|
| Mass. Hospital Life Insurance | 1,000.00 |
|-------------------------------|----------|

Cemetery Trust Funds. Invested in:

| | |
|--------------------------|----------|
| Marlborough Savings Bank | 7,578.00 |
|--------------------------|----------|

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|--------------------------|-----------|
| Mass. Hospital Life Ins. | 18,725.00 |
|--------------------------|-----------|

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|-------------------------|----------|
| Suffolk Federal Savings | 1,000.00 |
|-------------------------|----------|

Cemetery Perpetual Care Trust Funds

| | |
|---|-------------|
| Total invested as of Jan. 1, 1944 (as per 1943 Town Report, page 34) | \$24,470.00 |
| Amount in banks not invested by payment warrant (as of Jan. 1, 1944) | 1,305.00 |
| | _____ |
| | 25,775.00 |
| Trust funds received in 1944 | 1,578.00 |
| | _____ |
| | 27,353.00 |
| Less amount of transfer from Perpetual care account to sale of lot account | 50.00 |
| | _____ |
| | \$27,303.00 |
| Total amount of trust funds invested January 1, 1945 | \$27,303.00 |

Mr. Theodore N. Waddell

Director of Accounts

Department of Corporations and Taxation

State House, Boston

Sir:

As directed by you, I have made an audit of the books and accounts of the treasurer of the town of Southborough for the period from March 20, 1943, the date of the previous examination, to April 15, 1944, the following report being submitted thereon:

The books and accounts of the town treasurer were examined and checked. The cash book was footed and the recorded receipts were analyzed and compared with the accountant's ledger. The payments were compared with the selectmen's warrants authorizing the disbursements of town funds.

The treasurer's cash balance on April 15, 1944, was proved by reconciliation of the bank balances with statements furnished by the banks of deposit and by actual count of the cash in the office.

The savings bank books and securities representing the investment of the various trust funds in the custody of the town treasurer were examined and the income transferred to the town was verified.

Appended to this report is a table showing a reconciliation of the treasurer's cash as well as summaries of the tax title and trust fund accounts.

For the cooperation extended by the several town officials during the progress of the examination, I wish, on behalf of my assistants and for myself, to express appreciation.

Respectfully submitted,

HERMAN B. DINE,
Assistant Director of Accounts.

REPORT OF THE COLLECTOR OF TAXES
1941 Taxes

| | |
|-------------------------|---------|
| Uncollected 1943 Report | \$19.23 |
| Interest | .69 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$19.92 |
| Paid Treasurer | \$19.92 |
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1942 Taxes

| | |
|--|------------|
| Uncollected 1943 Report | \$1,098.90 |
| Interest, Costs etc. | 100.38 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$1,199.28 |
| Paid Treasurer | 1,180.23 |
| Uncollected of which \$9.30 is Tax Title | 19.05 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$1,199.28 |

1943 Taxes

| | |
|-------------------------|-------------|
| Uncollected 1943 Report | \$11,829.54 |
| Interest and Costs | 211.83 |
| | <hr/> |
| Paid Treasurer | \$12,041.37 |
| Abated | 8,640.24 |
| Tax Titles | 351.95 |
| Uncollected | 200.88 |
| | <hr/> |
| | 2,849.30 |
| | <hr/> |
| Overpaid | 12,042.37 |
| | <hr/> |
| | 1.00 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$12,041.37 |

1944 Taxes

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|----------------------|-------------|
| Warrants | \$92,393.98 |
| Interest and Charges | 51.33 |
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| | \$92,445.31 |

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| Paid Treasurer | \$81,665.47 |
| Abated | 1,477.83 |
| Transferred to Tax Title | 6.20 |
| Uncollected | 9,295.81 |
| <hr/> | |
| | \$92,445.31 |

Uncollected:

| | |
|----------------------|------------|
| Poll Tax | 36.00 |
| Personal Tax | 436.81 |
| Real Estate and Moth | 8,823.00 |
| <hr/> | |
| | \$9,295.81 |

MOTOR VEHICLE EXCISE TAXES

1942

| | |
|-------------------------|---------|
| Uncollected 1943 Report | \$2.00 |
| Abated | 2.00 |
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| Uncollected 1943 Report | \$90.20 |
| Interest | .36 |
| Warrant in 1944 | 14.00 |

1943

| | |
|----------------|----------|
| Paid Treasurer | \$104.56 |
| Abated | \$53.31 |
| Uncollected | 42.35 |
| | 8.90 |
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1944

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| Warrants | \$3,037.85 |
| Interest | .13 |
| <hr/> | |
| | \$3,037.98 |

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|----------------|------------|
| Paid Treasurer | \$2,959.63 |
| Abated | 9.50 |
| Uncollected | 76.55 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$3,045.68 |
| Overpaid | 7.70 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$3,037.98 |

Respectfully submitted,

MARJORIE F. McDONALD,
Collector of Taxes.

**REPORT OF COLLECTOR FOR THE WATER
DEPARTMENT**

WATER SERVICES AND MISCELLANEOUS

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|---------------------------------|----------|
| Uncollected Balance 1943 Report | \$137.68 |
| Warrants in 1944 | 103.39 |
| | <hr/> |
| Paid Treasurer | \$241.07 |
| Uncollected | 98.24 |
| | <hr/> |
| | 142.83 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$241.07 |

WATER RATES

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|---------------------------------|-------------|
| Uncollected Balance 1943 Report | \$1,160.41 |
| Warrants in 1944 | 17,931.54 |
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| Paid Treasurer | \$19,091.95 |
| Abated | 17,597.64 |
| Uncollected | 20.26 |
| | <hr/> |
| | 1,476.05 |
| | <hr/> |
| Overpaid Treasurer | \$19,093.95 |
| | <hr/> |
| | 2.00 |
| | <hr/> |
| | \$19,091.95 |

Respectfully submitted,

MARJORIE F. McDONALD,
Registrar.

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING, MARCH 13, 1944

Voted to dispense with the reading of the Articles and proceed with Article 1.

Article 1. Chose Albert S. Woodward as Moderator.

Article 2. It was voted that the reports of the various Town Officers and Committees be accepted as printed in the Town Report.

Article 3. It was voted to raise and appropriate the following sums of money for the Town's use:

Item

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| 1. | Advisory Committee | \$15.00 |
| 2. | Planning Board | 50.00 |
| 3. | Treasurer | 875.00 |
| 4. | Collector | 901.50 |
| 5. | Town Clerk | 560.00 |
| 6. | Election and Registration salaries | 100.00 |
| | All other expenses | 764.00 |
| 7. | Assessors | 1,145.00 |
| 8. | Tree Warden | 712.20 |
| 9. | Sealer of Weights and Measures Rent and Insurance | 92.22 |
| 10. | Board of Health | 1,450.00 |
| 11. | Water Department Maintenance Salary of Superintendent | 2,000.00 |
| | All other expenses | 5,572.00 |
| 12. | Public Welfare | 3,500.00 |
| 13. | Aid to Dependent Children | 1,800.00 |
| 14. | Old Age Assistance | 12,000.00 |
| 15. | Libraries Salary of Librarian | 840.00 |
| | All other expenses | 858.80 |
| 16. | Reserve Fund | 3,000.00 |
| 17. | Cemetery Maintenance Salary of Superintendent | 1,560.00 |
| | All other expenses | 2,530.00 |
| 18. | Tax Title Expense | 50.00 |
| 19. | Selectmen Salary Selectmen's Clerk | 75.00 |
| | All other expenses | 565.85 |

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| 20. | Accounting | |
| | Salary | 750.00 |
| | All other expenses | 60.00 |
| 21. | Legal — Salary | 300.00 |
| | — All other expenses | 200.00 |
| 22. | Town House — Salary Janitor | 900.00 |
| | — All other expenses | 558.00 |
| 23. | Police — Salary Chief | 365.00 |
| | — Salaries Patrolmen | 1,830.00 |
| | — All other expenses | 1,354.00 |
| 24. | Fire Dept. Maintenance | 2,155.60 |
| 25. | Fire Dept. Salaries | 2,625.00 |
| 26. | Hydrants — Snow Removal | 50.00 |
| 27. | Moth Extermination | |
| | Salary | 500.00 |
| | All other expenses | 500.00 |
| 28. | Forest Fires & Equipment | |
| | Salary — Warden | 50.00 |
| | All other expenses | 675.00 |
| 29. | Sealer of Weights & Measures | |
| | Salary | 75.00 |
| | All other expenses | 37.00 |
| 30. | Inspector of Animals | |
| | Salary | 100.00 |
| | All other expenses | 20.00 |
| 31. | Snow Removal & Equipment | 1,600.00 |
| 32. | Highway.— Special Maintenance | 1,200.00 |
| 33. | Street Lighting | 4,012.75 |
| 34. | Soldiers' Relief | 5,000.00 |
| 35. | Civilian Defense | 200.00 |
| 36. | Ration Board | 150.00 |
| 37. | Trade School Tuition | 800.00 |
| 38. | Schools — Salary Supt. | 1,440.00 |
| | Attendance Officer Salary | 25.00 |
| | Salaries — Janitors | 4,073.00 |
| | Salary School Nurse | 870.00 |
| | School Medical Doctor | 100.00 |
| | School Dental Doctor | 50.00 |
| | All Other Expenses | 41,361.75 |

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| 39. | Fayville Hall | |
| | Salary — Janitor | 300.00 |
| | All Other Expenses | 228.00 |
| 40. | Town Reports | 400.00 |
| 41. | Common and Town House Grounds | 420.00 |
| 42. | Liability Insurance | 1,343.71 |
| 43. | General Insurance | 827.79 |
| 44. | Interest on Debt | 8,100.00 |
| 45. | Debt Retirement | 15,000.00 |

(From Taxation — \$6,000.00)

(From Surplus — \$9,000.00)

46. War Damage Insurance — Voted that this article be dismissed.
47. It was voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$15,000. for Debt Retirement, that \$6,000. of this sum be included in this year's tax levy and that the sum of \$9,000. be taken from the Water Dept. available surplus, with the approval of Henry F. Long, Commissioner of Corporations and Taxation.

Article 4. It was voted that the Town Treasurer be authorized with the approval of the Selectmen to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January first, 1944 and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44, of the General Laws as amended.

Article 5. It was voted that action on this Article be postponed until all the articles in this warrant have been acted upon.

Article 6. It was voted that the Dog money in the sum of Seven hundred thirteen dollars and twenty cents (\$713.20) be appropriated for the use of the Library.

Article 7. It was voted to accept contributions from the St. Mark's School and the Fay School and that they be placed in the Town Treasury for general purposes.

Article 8. It was voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$125.00 to defray the expenses of Memorial Day, May 30, 1944 observance, by the Leo L. Bagley Post, American Legion.

Article 9. It was voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$15.00 for the Memorial Day, May 30, 1944 observance exercises under the auspices of the Choate Post 3276, Veterans of Foreign Wars.

Article 10. It was voted that a sum not exceeding \$250.00 be taken from the Cemetery Reserve Fund; \$150.00 thereof for the purchase of loam, the payment of labor, etc., and \$100.00 for the maintenance of the Old Cemetery.

Article 11. It was voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$300.00 for the purchase of Concrete Grave liners, to be carried in stock and sold to lot owners as needed.

Article 12. It was voted that the Town appropriate the sum of \$100.00 for private work on the so-called George B. Herrick and Dr. Roland Newton Cemetery lots, such sum to be expended under the supervision of the Cemetery Commission and returned to the Town by the lot owners.

Article 13. It was voted that the Town accept granite curbing valued at \$700.00 from the owners of the George B. Herrick and Dr. Roland Newton Cemetery lots and authorize the Cemetery Commissioners to use said curbing as they deem advisable.

Article 14. It was voted to change Article 1, Section 1 of the Town By-Laws to read as follows: The Annual Town Meeting for the transaction of business, except the election of Town Officers and the voting upon questions as required by general or special law shall be held on the second Monday of March at seven o'clock in the afternoon. The election of Town Officers and the voting on questions as required by general or special law shall be held on the third Monday of March. The polls shall be opened from six o'clock a. m. to eight o'clock p. m. A standing vote was taken on this article — 160 in favor and none against.

Article 15. It was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$300.00 for the purchase of a power sand spreader for the Highway Department. (This vote was an amendment to the original motion to dismiss the Article which was lost).

Article 16. It was voted that the sum of \$6,500.00 be appropriated to purchase a power road grader as requested by the Supt. of Streets and that \$2,500.00 be raised by tax-

ation and the balance of \$4,000.00 be taken from surplus with consent and approval of Henry F. Long, Commissioner of Corporations and Taxation. (83 in favor and 56 against).

Article 17. It was voted that the sum of \$25,000.00 be taken from surplus for the purchase of War Bonds to establish a post war rehabilitation fund in accordance with Chapter 5 of the Acts of 1943.

Article 18. It was voted to dismiss the Article.

Article 19. It was voted that the Moderator appoint a Committee of 5 to investigate the matter of establishing a waiting station at Fayville, without any cost to the Town.

Committee appointed — Chairman Board of Selectmen, Mrs. Clifford Deer, Mr. James Trioli, Mr. Chester Gray, Mr. Edmund Bullard.

Article 20. It was voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$50.00 for private tree work, Tree Warden Department.

Article 21. It was voted not to rescind the action taken under Article 25 of the Annual Town Meeting held Monday, March 9, 1942. 38 voted in favor of rescinding and 65 against.

Article 22. It was voted that the Town rescind the action taken under Article 19 of the Annual Town Meeting held Monday, March 9, 1942 which permitted the use of Government Administration money under Old Age Assistance to be used for any member of the Board of Public Welfare doing the actual detail work of investigation for the Bureau of Old Age Assistance.

Article 23. It was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,385.00 for Highway Equipment and Maintenance.

Article 24. It was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$6,900.00 for Maintenance Chapter 81 Roads.

Article 25. It was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$700.00 for the maintenance of Chapter 90 Highways; said money to be used in conjunction with any money which may be allotted by the State or County, or both, for this purpose.

Article 26. It was voted to dismiss the Article.

Article 27. It was voted that the Moderator appoint a Committee of five to investigate the need of a Garbage Disposal System and to find the cost of maintaining one and

to report at the next Annual Town Meeting, March 1945.

Article 28. It was voted that the Town accept Section 3A of Chapter 115 (Tercentenary Edition) of the General Laws, which states in part: "In a City or Town which has duly accepted this Section, no almoner or member of the Board of Public Welfare, or officer performing similar duties or an agent of any of them, shall directly or indirectly act as agent or disbursing officer of the Aldermen or Selectmen for the payment of state, military or soldier's relief".

Article 29. It was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$250.00 for the necessary expenses of a Post War Planning Committee to be appointed by the Moderator.

Article 30. It was voted that the sum of \$800.00 be appropriated for the construction of a drainage system in the street leading from Main Street by the Southboro Garage, such system to be constructed by the Superintendent of Streets in such manner as he believes advisable and adequate to drain the property bounded on the north by Main Street, on the east and south by land of the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad Company and on the west by the road leading from Main Street by the Southboro Garage, no part of said work to be done on private property.

Article 31. It was voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$300.00 for Playground activities to be managed under the direction of the Selectmen.

Article 32. It was voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,123.37 to pay the assessment of the County Commissioners for care and maintenance, in connection with the Worcester County Tuberculosis Hospital District.

Article 33. It was voted to dismiss the Article.

Article 5. It was voted that the Board of Assessors be authorized, subject to the written authority of the Commissioner of Corporations and Taxation, to use from free cash in the Town Treasury a sum not exceeding \$11,000.00 for the purpose of reducing the amount to be raised and assessed as taxes in 1944.

It was voted that the Town raise and appropriate the sum of \$149,210.24 which represents the total sum appro-

priated on all articles in the warrant for this Annual Town Meeting held March 13, 1944.

It was voted to dissolve the meeting.

MARJORIE F. McDONALD,
Town Clerk

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT, 1944

| | | |
|---|----------|----|
| Births Registered, Males | 14 | 29 |
| Births Registered, Females | 15 | |
| Marriages Recorded | 20 | |
| Deaths Recorded, Males | 20 | |
| Deaths Recorded, Females | 12 | |
| Dogs Licensed, Males and Spayed Females | 219 | |
| Dogs Licensed, Females | 33 | |
| Kennel Licenses | 4 | |
| Paid Town Treasurer | \$669.40 | |
| License Fees | \$51.60 | |
| Marriage Intention Fees | \$36.00 | |
| Sporting Licenses Issued | 95 | |
| Paid Department of Conservation | \$156.25 | |
| License Fees | \$20.00 | |
| Birth Certificate Fees | \$6.25 | |
| Recording Mortgages | \$32.00 | |
| Vital Statistics | \$54.00 | |

Respectfully submitted,

MARJORIE F. McDONALD,
Town Clerk.

RECORD OF BIRTHS, 1944

- Jan. 2 Judith Marie Sanchioni, daughter of Fred J. and Alice L.
- Jan. 14 Elizabeth Barbara Lange, daughter of Robert E. and Myrtle E.
- Feb. 13 John Chapman Ruggles, son of Cortland A. and Harriet G.
- Feb. 14 Anthony Louis Monfalcone, son of Joseph M. and Gena C.
- Feb. 15 Diane Mary Baldini, daughter of Attilio and Gladys

- Feb. 20 Patricia Lee Jackman, daughter of Carlton H. Stella.
- Mar. 10 Judith Rhoda Bolton, daughter of Harold M. and Vera F.
- Mar. 24 Joseph Sanchione, son of Samuel L. and Alice E.
- Apr. 5 Nathaniel Cameron Bradley, son of Cameron and Anne Louise.
- Apr. 7 Baby Barnes, daughter of Robert and Helen.
- Apr. 8 Allen Herbert Cook, son of Herbert F. and Jeanne.
- Apr. 12 Barbara Jean Pessini, daughter of Francis R. and Adrienne M.
- May 5 Amelie Lee Giles, daughter of Philip and Amelie L.
- May 14 Dennie Reginald Binns, son of Edmund C. and Margaret M.
- June 8 Paul Charles Dwyer, son of Charles J. and Evelyn C.
- June 12 Penelope Ann Baker, daughter of Gordon S. and Helen M.
- June 14 Nathan Read Keith, son of Nathan R. and Muriel R.
- July 30 Jane Erickson, daughter of Everett A. and Imogene S.
- Aug. 8 Howard John Hartford, son of Ralph H. and Agnes E.
- Aug. 14 Maureen Donovan, daughter of John E. and Patricia M.
- Sept. 20 Joan Barbara Johnson, daughter of Ralph E. and Beatrice D.
- Sept. 26 Josephine Anne Colleary, daughter of William J. and Josephine E.
- Oct. 10 Colin Francis MacGregor Hunter, son of William A. and Kathryn.
- Oct. 10 Charles Francis Rabini, son of John J. and Frances E.
- Oct. 28 Sharon Lee Sweet, daughter of Robert H. and Georgia M.
- Nov. 25 Robert Brane Bezokas, son of Brone H. and Mary.

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Nov. 25 Judith MacFarland, daughter of Arthur and Doris

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Nov. 28 Robert Montvitt, son of Julian J. and Joan A.

Dec. 9 Leslie Earl Moody, son of Carlyle E. and Lois V.

RECORD OF MARRIAGES IN 1944

Jan. 16 John Jackman, to Stella Iona Jackson
 Apr. 12 Eugene Earl Bolser to Evelyn Marie Walton
 Apr. 30 Philip E. Iwerks to Phyllis May Robbins
 June 3 Elwood Kenneth Gould to Maryann B. Cantley
 June 3 Walter I. Badger, III, to Linda Main
 June 4 Paul E. Atchue to Angelina Amorelli
 June 7 Karl M. Sayles to Anna May Dodds
 June 22 Karl M. Sayles, Jr., to Anne B. Burke
 July 1 Julio Agostinelli to Ada Ruth Barwell
 July 17 Robert E. Burke to Mary Tierney
 Aug. 5 Durward E. McCloud to Ann B. Cummings
 Sept. 17 John A. Schott to Carolyn L. Smith
 Oct. 6 Robert Hoey to Eleanor M. Sullivan
 Oct. 9 Carl Watson Gordon to Ethel May Krouse
 Oct. 14 John T. Decaff to Phyllis L. Stratton
 Oct. 22 Burton Holmes Graves to Betty Jane Miller
 Nov. 30 Carl W. Walker to Gladys Miller Wentworth
 Dec. 6 Uldeeric F. Hurley to Esther B. Moore
 Dec. 19 Edward William Gorham to Elizabeth Whalley
 Dec. 31 Harold Myron Gunsolley to Audrey McQuarrie

RECORD OF DEATHS IN 1944

Jan. 1 Hannah G. Bagley, 74 yrs.
 Jan. 17 Alfred N. Peltier, 70 yrs., 6 mos., 2 days
 Jan. 17 Sarah Christina (Taylor) Carruthers, 82 yrs., 2 mos., 16 days
 Jan. 24 Felix T. Clancy, 74 yrs.
 Jan. 30 Sarah Cordelia (Fletcher) Brewer, 48 yrs., 6 days
 Feb. 9 Alice M. (Unknown) Benson, 74 yrs., 11 mos., 1 day
 Feb. 15 George Henry Kenney, 73 yrs., 11 mos., 15 days
 Feb. 7 Sarah Marshall, 88 yrs., 3 mos., 8 days

Mar. 12 Elizabeth (Bowles) Trigeau, 83 yrs.
 Mar. 7 Herman Monnette, 54 yrs.
 Mar. 27 David E. Stone, 82 yrs.
 Apr. 1 Frank Eugene Fay, 77 yrs., 2 mos., 15 days
 Apr. 10 Allen Howe Draper, 76 yrs., 10 days
 Apr. 13 Charles E. Adams, 36 yrs., 16 days
 Apr. 16 Thomas Leslie LePage, 64 yrs., 16 days
 May 2 Edward J. Morton, 84 yrs., 2 mos., 13 days
 May 3 Nap Joseph Filion, 75 yrs., 1 mo.
 May 9 Ruth Naomi (Stockamer) Bean, 55 yrs., 10 mos.,
 1 day
 June 16 Willie Dow Green, 57 yrs., 8 mos., 11 days
 July 10 Irving Sylvester Hosmer, 74 yrs., 1 mos., 7 days
 July 21 Emma A. (Bouthillet) Hurley, 74 yrs.
 Aug. 13 Alvah D. Spencer, 83 yrs., 11 mos., 29 days
 Aug. 20 Patrick Henry O'Brien, 77 yrs., 5 mos., 8 days
 Aug. 23 Penelope (Allanach) Tullock, 83 yrs., 4 mos., 6
 days
 Aug. 12 Antonio Zarega, 77 yrs., 4 mos., 4 days
 May 24 Beulah Adelaide Baker, 63 yrs., 8 mos., 21 days
 Sept. 18 Flora Berui, 59 yrs., 11 mos., 14 days
 Nov. 28 George Franklin Field, 79 yrs., 10 mos., 17 days
 Nov. 30 Thomas Slattery, 62 yrs.
 Dec. 10 John E. Barker, 85 yrs.
 Dec. 18 Harry L. Gilman, 71 yrs., 8 mos., 17 days
 Dec. 27 Josephine Scanlan Hadley, 89 yrs.

JURORS' LIST, 1944

Following is the list of persons eligible for Jury duty, as chosen by the Board of Selectmen:

| Name and occupation | Address |
|---------------------------------|------------------|
| Thomas F. Lindsay, Retired | Main Street |
| Percival Gilbert, Bond Salesman | Deerfoot Road |
| Francis E. Wood, Salesman | Cottage Street |
| James F. Telfer, Shipper | East Main Street |
| Henry McAuliffe, Inspector | Marlborough Road |
| Henry Collins, Service Manager | Southville Road |
| Charles H. Lane, Bond Salesman | Middle Road |
| Churchill Allen, Farm Supt. | Flagg Road |
| Edmund H. Bullard, Salesman | Main Street |
| Stephen Gale, Dairyman | Newton Street |

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|---------------------------------|------------------|
| William G. Salmon, Dairyman | Lyman Street |
| Dante Trioli, Machinist | Turnpike Road |
| Erwin L. Smith, Electrician | Turnpike Road |
| Joseph Cummings, Sr., Farmer | Parkerville Road |
| Leonard S. Tupper, Farmer | Southville Road |
| Thomas Dando, Machinist | Parkerville Road |
| Francis Morrill, Machinist | Southville Road |
| Fred Twombly, Janitor | Parkerville Road |
| Charles Corbett, Janitor | Middle Road |
| Victor Bushman, Bond Salesman | Main Street |
| Richard G. Harwood, Auctioneer | Cordaville Road |
| Philip Burke, Guard | Boston Road |
| Alexander C. Gion, Draftsman | Turnpike Road |
| Primo Borelli, Machinist | Boston Road |
| C. Edward Baker, Welder | Newton Street |
| James A. DeMone, Garage Manager | Latisquama Rd. |
| Cesare Rossi, Machinist | Main Street |

REPORT OF BOARD OF ASSESSORS

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen,
Town of Southboro, Mass.

Gentlemen:

Herewith we submit a recapitulation of our figures for 1944.

This department has made a number of changes in the valuation of property in an effort to overcome any inequality.

Your attention is called to the decrease in valuation from 1943, this amount is represented in the unusually large abatements made in 1944 of taxes levied in 1942 and 1943.

This board has on hand a number of applications for reductions in valuations of Real estate for 1944 assessments; owing to the differences in the applicants value, and that of the Assessors, and for the reasons that the amounts requested are so large, it is doubtful if we will be in a position to make any adjustments.

No doubt the income from some sources will be some-

what less this year: for example, the Excise tax and Poll tax have shown a decided decrease.

Respectfully yours,

RALPH H. CLARK
HERBERT E. BANFILL
WILLIAM N. DAVIS

1944 RÉCAPITULATION

| | |
|---------------------------|--------------|
| Total Appropriations | \$146,848.67 |
| From Available Funds | 38,250.00 |
| | ————— |
| | \$184,598.67 |
| State Tax | 6,655.00 |
| State Parks | 111.29 |
| State Audit | 555.10 |
| County Tax | 5,712.53 |
| Tuberculosis Hospital | 2,123.37 |
| County Tax Underestimates | 328.31 |
| Overlay | 2,202.82 |
| Gross Amount to be Raised | \$202,287.09 |

Estimated Receipts and Available Funds

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|------------------------------------|-------------|
| Income Tax | \$11,065.02 |
| Corporation Taxes | 6,585.97 |
| Gasoline Tax | 5,597.17 |
| Motor Vehicle | 3,000.00 |
| Licenses | 1,000.00 |
| Fines | 25.00 |
| Grants and Gifts | 2,700.00 |
| General Government | 100.00 |
| Protection of Persons and Property | 500.00 |
| Charities | 1,100.00 |
| Old Age Assistance | 7,000.00 |
| Old Age Tax, Meals | 338.85 |
| Schools | 3,800.00 |
| Public Service: Water Dept. | 16,200.00 |
| Cemeteries | 1,100.00 |
| Interest | 650.00 |
| Metropolitan in lieu of Taxes | 3,416.56 |
| | ————— |
| Total Estimated Receipts | \$64,178.57 |
| State Parks, Overestimates | 3.46 |

Amounts voted from Available Funds 46,250.00

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| Total Available Funds | \$46,253.46 |
| Total Estimated Receipts and Available Funds | 110,432.03 |

Net Amount to be Raised by Taxation \$91,855.06

Number of Polls, 607. Tax Rate \$31. per \$1,000.

Valuation January 1, 1943

| | 1944 |
|--------------------|--------------|
| Personal | \$10,550.00 |
| Stock in Trade | \$9,200.00 |
| Machinery | 414,275.00 |
| Live Stock | 52,140.00 |
| Other Tangible | 86,000.00 |
| Real Estate | |
| Land | 609,045.00 |
| Buildings | 1,788,965.00 |
| Excise Tax | 4,058.60 |

Abatements and Exemptions:

1944 Levy

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|-------------|------------|
| Real Estate | \$1,040.18 |
| Polls | 464.00 |
| Excise | 13.05 |

1943 Levy

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| Real Estate | 1,568.07 |
| Excise | 42.35 |

1942 Levy

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| Real Estate | 1,306.19 |
| Excise | 2.00 |

1941 Levy

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| Real Estate | 73.74 |
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**REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON GARBAGE DISPOSAL
SYSTEM**

To the Board of Selectmen

Town of Southboro,

Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

Under Article twenty-seven of the Town Warrant of 1944, a committee of five were appointed by the Moderator of the town meeting to investigate the need of a garbage

disposal system for the Town of Southboro and to find out the cost of maintenance of same.

This committee has done much research as to the best possible plan for the needs of a town the size of Southboro, by consulting with the Selectmen and Boards of Health of twelve surrounding towns of our population, and the methods used by them in carrying out their garbage collection service.

This committee will bring the findings of same in a report at the Annual Town Meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES TELFER, Chairman

HELEN WEBSTER.

CHARLES VAREY

HAMILTON ARMSTRONG

ROUMELIA HALL BORST

REPORT OF BOARD OF HEALTH

February 12, 1945

The Board of Selectmen,
Town of Southboro,
Massachusetts
Gentlemen:

The Board of Health submits the following report of its work for 1944.

It has been a very busy year. Several complaints have been investigated and a satisfactory settlement of the problem made in most cases. The Board is functioning without a doctor and this means much additional work. We are very appreciative that Dr. Hugh Folsom is acting as our medical advisor, but we realize that in these days he must not be over taxed.

The annual spring rubbish collection was very efficiently carried out by the Highway Department. The paper and salvage drives took the place of fall clean up day.

In May a three day Pre School Well Child Conference was held in cooperation with State Department of Child Hygiene. Seventy-three children were examined; twenty at Fayville, twenty-four at Southville and twenty-nine at

the Center of Southboro. The following needed special care:—

| | | |
|-----------|----------|-------------------|
| 8 medical | 6 dental | 5 nutrition |
| 1 nose | 1 throat | 3 nose and throat |

All cases have been followed up and patients referred to their family physicians.

We were very fortunate to have Dr. Alta Ashley of Wellesley, a childrens hospital specialist as consultant. Miss Sophie Gordon as Nutritionist, Miss Beatrice Glidden, Mrs. Baker, and Mrs. Borst assisted.

The Board wishes to thank the Trustees of the Robinson Fund for their contribution which made this program possible. We express appreciation to Southboro Woman's Club, School Committee, Village Society and the many people who cooperated in the work.

We regret the resignation of Mrs. Mary Baker who, as the school nurse, has done such splendid work in supervising the follow up care in the home; but we are very fortunate that Mrs. Rachel Hosmer, the newly appointed school nurse, will continue the routine.

The next conference will be held in the spring.

At present we have one patient at the Worcester County Sanitarium and another case pending. The state did not conduct a regular Tubercular Clinic, but cases requiring X-ray or treatment were transported by Mrs. Baker.

Our Board held a joint meeting with the Board of Selectmen to discuss a permanent town dump. It is impossible to make a complete report, but we hope the coming year will bring about the solution to this problem of many years debate.

Material has been gathered and contacts made in small towns towards the time when a Public Health Nursing Service can be established in Southboro.

Number of contagious diseases reported during year is as follows:—

| | |
|----------------|----|
| Dog Bites | 1 |
| Chicken Pox | 9 |
| Measles | 51 |
| Mumps | 5 |
| Whooping Cough | |

German Measles

Pulmonary Tuberculosis 1

Lobar Pneumonia 1

The list of licenses and permits granted is as follows:—

Store licenses to sell milk and cream 4

Milk dealers licenses 12

Milk producers licenses 12

Licenses to

Pasteurize milk 3

Pick up bones and fat 1

Sell methyl antifreeze 3

Sell Oleomargarine 2

Respectfully submitted,

ROUMELIA HALL BORST, R.N., Chairman

JAMES TELFER, Agent

PAUL HENDERSON

REPORT OF THE CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen

Town of Southborough, Massachusetts.

The Board of Cemetery Commissioners submit the following report for the year 1944.

Burials—

Residents of the Town 17

Non-Residents 28

Total 45

Cement Grave Liners used in 1944 13

Cement Vaults used in 1944 18

Pine Boxes used in 1944 14

Total 45

Only six Pine Boxes have been used since Cement Grave Liners were placed in stock.

15 Foundations were constructed during the year.

60 Sunken graves were filled and turfed.

20 Lots were graded, fertilized, and seeded.

108 Feet of stone curbing, removed from the Newton and Herrick lot, was moved and placed along the bank on the South Avenue.

5 Dead and unsightly trees were cut down and made into fire wood.

The brush, weeds, and grass along the Cemetery on the opposite side of Cordaville Road was cleaned up adding greatly to the neat appearance of the Cemetery.

The Commissioners wish to thank and congratulate the voters for their co-operation at the Town Meeting last March. We are only your elected servants and after careful analysis present our problems to you for approval.

Your Cemetery Superintendent, Mr. Walter M. Offutt, with his faithful assistants, Mr. Wheeler and Mr. Fay, have performed their usual admirable services and in view of the labor conditions in this trying period deserve our undying gratitude for their splendid efforts.

Your Cemetery is considered one of the best in this part of the country, and in tender memory of those who have preceded us, we hope we may continue to give your Cemetery the proper maintenance it so justly deserves.

The financial accounts of this department are shown through the Auditors books and may be found in his report.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD C. RAMSDELL, Chairman

JOHN J. O'REILLY, Secretary

PATRICK J. O'REILLY

REPORT OF THE TREE WARDEN

Honorable Board of Selectmen

Southborough,

Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

I hereby submit my report for 1944.

Due to the labor shortage this year only the tree work that was absolutely necessary was taken care of, such as the removal of dead branches and topping of dangerous trees. As soon as it is possible to get labor there will be considerably more work done, especially high tree trimming.

Because of the increase in the Dutch Elm Disease in the western part of the state, special attention was given to the spraying of the elms in order to root out, if possible,

any beetles that might be harbored in the back of these trees. The regular spraying was thoroughly done.

The budget submitted is the same as for last year. However, I wish to call to the attention of the Town the fact that as soon as climbers are available, the Town should spend between \$2,000 and \$3,000 on tree trimming work. A statement of expenditures and receipts will be found in the report of the Town Accountant.

Respectfully submitted,

HARRY BURNETT,
Tree Warden

**REPORT OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WELFARE AND
THE BUREAU OF OLD AGE ASSISTANCE.**

To the Board of Selectmen,
Town of Southborough, Massachusetts
Gentlemen:

The Board of Public Welfare and Bureau of Old Age Assistance submits the following report of its work for the year ending Dec. 31, 1944.

GENERAL RELIEF

| | |
|---------------------------------|------------|
| Appropriation by the Town, 1944 | \$3,500.00 |
| Expenditures | 3,439.50 |

| | |
|---------------------|------------|
| Balance | \$60.50 |
| Receipts: | |
| Local | \$206.00 |
| Other towns | 338.47 |
| State | 359.45 |
| Total | \$903.92 |
| Actual cost to Town | \$2,535.58 |

AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN

| | |
|----------------------------|------------|
| Appropriation by Town 1944 | \$1,800.00 |
| Federal Grants | 308.83 |
| | \$2,108.83 |
| Expenditures | 1,477.97 |
| Balance | \$630.86 |

| | |
|---------------------|----------|
| Receipts: | |
| State | \$559.42 |
| Actual cost to Town | \$609.72 |

BUREAU OF OLD AGE ASSISTANCE

| | |
|--------------------------------|-------------|
| Appropriation by the Town 1944 | \$12,000.00 |
| Federal Grants | 7,424.17 |
| <hr/> | |
| Total | \$19,424.17 |
| Expenditures | 18,620.36 |
| <hr/> | |

| | |
|----------------------------|------------|
| Balance | \$803.81 |
| Receipts: | |
| From State—for aid granted | \$7,003.18 |
| From State—Meal Tax | 404.14 |
| From other towns | 125.20 |
| Refunds | 61.45 |
| <hr/> | |
| Total | \$7,593.97 |
| Actual cost to Town | \$3,602.22 |

Respectfully submitted,

HELEN BURNETT, Chairman
ROBERT H. JOHNSON
RUTH W. HARRINGTON

J. M. SMITH, Welfare Agent

REPORT OF MOTH SUPERINTENDENT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen,
Town of Southborough, Massachusetts.

Gentlemen:

I hereby submit my annual report for the year ending December 31, 1944.

The moth work during the past year consisted of creosoting gypsy moth nests during the winter and early spring months. May, June and July were devoted to the spraying of private orchards and roadside shade trees.

A very serious out-break of gypsy moths occurred in the area south of the Boston and Worcester Turnpike, this will spread over the whole town if they increase as much in 1945 as they did in 1944.

Your moth superintendent has asked for an increased appropriation for labor to take care of this situation.

The town is badly in need of a new orchard sprayer, the one now in use is thirty-five years old and is constantly in need of new parts which are very difficult to obtain.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM H. ONTHANK,
Moth Superintendent

REPORT OF INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen,
Town of Southborough, Massachusetts.

Gentlemen:

I hereby submit my annual report for the year ending December 31, 1944.

The regular farm to farm inspection was omitted this year by order of the O.P.A.

The total number of cattle in town dropped about eight percent from last year.

There will very likely be an even greater reduction during the coming year due to the lack of feed and labor.

Over one hundred less cattle were shipped in this year than in 1943.

| | |
|--|-----|
| "Out of State" cattle released from quarantine | 109 |
| Cases of rabies | 0 |
| Number of persons bitten by dogs | 6 |
| Number of cattle reacting to tuberculin test | 0 |

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM H. ONTHANK,
Inspector of Animals

GRADUATION PROGRAM — CLASS OF 1944
PETERS HIGH SCHOOL

PROCESSIONAL

PRAYER by Rev. Robert W. Moon

GIRLS CHORUS, "The Lord is My Shepherd" T. Koschat
SALUTATORY- ADDRESS (Second Honor)

Mary T. Howes

ESSAY, "Freedom Taught Through Art"

Barbara M. Baker

CHORUS, Senior Girls, "A Dream Boat Passes By"

E. H. Lemare

ESSAY, "Medical Science Goes To War"

William R. Maley

ESSAY, (First Honor) "Music Hath Charms"

Ruth F. Young

CHORUS, "This Is My Country"

A. Jacobs

PRESENTATION OF SENIOR PRIZES

ADDRESS Rev. William Brewster

Headmaster, St. Mark's School

PRESENTATION OF DIPLOMAS,

Mr. Edmund H. Bullard, Chairman of School Committee

CLASS SONG**RECESSATIONAL MARCH**

MUSICAL DIRECTOR Mrs. Elvira Sammis

MARSHAL

Robert Nelson

Flowers may not be presented at exercises of either night.

HONOR GRADUATES

Ruth F. Young Barbara M. Baker

Mary T. Howes William R. Maley

CLASS OF 1944**COLLEGE-CLASSICAL COURSE**

Ruth F. Young Mary T. Howes

COLLEGE COURSE

Jean Wentworth Marilyn Miller

Barbara M. Baker

COMMERCIAL COURSE

Anna A. Cicolini Dorothy E. Blood

Norma A. Baldini

GENERAL COURSE

| | |
|------------------------|-----------------------|
| Richard F. Labarre | Charlotte G. McGovern |
| Charlotte E. Bean | Mary E. Smith |
| Margaret R. Bertonassi | Theresa M. Prosperi |
| Sibyl F. Opdyke | Ethel Bragg |
| Charlotte I. Holmes | Donald B. Perry |
| Thomas M. Bagley | William R. Maley |
| Louis Bartolini | William J. McNeil |
| | Ronald C. Nelson |

CLASS COLORS

Maroon and White

CLASS MOTTO

"Gung Ho"—"All Together"

CLASS FLOWER

White Rose

CLASS SONG.

Music by Ruth F. Young

Words by Mary T. Howes

The time has come and we must part

Although we're sad at leaving.

The future holds great things in store,

'Tis not a time for grieving.

Chorus

Days at Peters High have flown swiftly by
 Leaving us with thoughts that are so dear.
 Had our work and play, and loved every day,
 Friends we've been through every high school year.

Pink streamers, apple blossomed hall
 Starting the Piper in the Fall,
 Senior play a huge success,
 Loads of fun and happiness.

Time has come to part
 So with heavy heart
 We bid farewell to classmates dear to us
 Goodbye.

REPORT OF ART SUPERVISOR

Mr. Henry G. Blount,
Superintendent of Schools,
Southboro, Massachusetts.

Dear Sir:

I herewith submit my annual report as Art Supervisor of the Southboro Schools.

The aim of the art course is to complete the general development of each child by a free and natural expression in hand work through the many activities relating to his present and future everyday experiences.

In the many articles by foremost art educators the stress of the future and the vital part that art will play in a changed world is noted with interest. In class discussions, particularly with students who see little apparent use in formal study of the necessary forms of art education, much can be said regarding the place of art in the future of our country. These can be stimulating and refreshing and I sincerely hope of benefit to the students in later life. Under the constant plan of finding and experiencing enjoyment in the art class, especially in the lower grades, there is a look to the future.

Art as an emotional subject is often pushed into the background; whereas, in combination with intellectual development, a person becomes more versatile and all faculties are coordinated to his best advantage. This is more apparent when students have not had the advantage of art training at an early age. Here art does not serve as an outlet for expression. Work is stilled and unimaginative. Through a sense of incompetence to visualize form and color correctly, the child loses all spontaneity. The student who has had an opportunity to create and absorb the basic principles even indirectly, is decidedly at an advantage over one who has had little or no previous training!

Our classes have both creative and directive work. From the first grade through junior high, the program is planned to give the pupils an understanding which will develop him into a more interesting personality having good work habits, the ability to follow directions and take suggestions.

Although we encourage further art training for the students, the percentage choosing art as a vocation is so small,

we must of necessity give more attention to the majority and fit them so they can best use their art in the home and community.

I should like to take this opportunity to express my appreciation to you for your loyal support and cooperation; to the School Committee my gratitude for their part in having the necessary material and equipment for furthering art in the Southboro Schools.

The teachers are always a source of inspiration and help. Without their high standards our program would not show the development it has in the past years.

Respectfully submitted,
MARGUERITE ELLIOTT PEASLEE.

REPORT OF SCHOOL NURSE

Mr. Henry G. Blount,
Superintendent of Schools,
Southboro, Mass.

Dear Mr. Blount:

I herewith submit my annual report for the year ending December 31, 1944.

The Well Child Conference was held in May.

One girl was sent to the Sterling Health Camp for the summer. Four children were taken to the Child Guidance Clinic at No. Grafton.

The annual physical and dental examinations were held in September by Dr. Folsom and Dr. Webster.

There were a few cases of ringworm, impetigo and pediculosis during the fall term, and one injury requiring medical care.

In conclusion, I wish to express my sincere appreciation of the assistance and co-operation given me by you and the teachers.

Respectfully submitted,
RACHEL A. HOSMER, R. N.

REPORT OF PRINCIPAL OF PETERS' HIGH SCHOOL

Mr. Henry G. Blount,
Superintendent of Schools,
Southborough, Massachusetts

Dear Sir:

Herewith I submit my annual report for Peters High School.

Several fire drills have been held and the buildings have been emptied in less than a minute. The drills have been organized in such a manner that certain of the older boys have stations in the halls of the High School to assist in the quick emptying of the building.

Although many boys and girls are working part time after school, we are carrying on with our athletic program in basketball for boys and girls and expect to have baseball during the spring season.

Twice a week we have physical exercises for the girls under the direction of Mrs. Vetterling, and physical exercises for boys once a week under direction of Mr. Insani; also military exercises once a week at St. Mark's cage under direction of Mr. Badger, Master at St. Mark's School.

Graduates in the Armed Forces from Southboro High School.

So much has been said about the relatively high rejection rate of the armed forces that the information obtained will be of special interest. The facts presented refer to all of the boys who graduated in the classes of 1938 through 1943.

| No. of Boys in Service | % | Rejected | % | Deferred | % |
|--|--------|----------|--------|----------|--------|
| 1938 9 5 | 55 5/9 | 4 | 44 4/5 | 0 | 0 |
| 1939 14 14 | 100 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| In the class of 1939 one boy has made the supreme sacrifice. | | | | | |
| 1940 16 13 | 81 1/4 | 1 | 6 1/4 | 2 | 12 1/2 |
| 1941 9 8 | 88 8/9 | 1 | 11 1/9 | 0 | 0 |
| 1942 5 5 | 100 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 1943 10 8 | 80 | 2 | 20 | 0 | 0 |

In the class of 1944 four boys are in service and three boys have not reached induction age. Those who have been rejected or deferred are nevertheless doing their part in this global war by their efforts in war industry and other activities which are vital to the welfare of our country. The above record is a good indication that the schools in conjunction with the homes are mindful of the health of

the children. The townspeople may take great satisfaction in this record.

In Chemistry the following objectives are striven after:

1. To realize the importance of Chemistry in daily living.
2. To form the habit of using the scientific method and of thinking scientifically in all life experiences.
3. To gain a skill in working carefully and accurately, and in drawing final conclusions through laboratory experimentation.
4. To realize the importance of Chemistry in establishing an everlasting international peace:

To help in accomplishing these objectives we use "Living Chemistry" and the Laboratory Manual by Ahrens, Bush and Easley as our basic text. The year's work is planned by units. The first part presents the fundamentals of Chemistry and aids the pupil in establishing in his mind the procedure of the scientific method. This material is usually completed the first half of the school year. During the rest of the year we emphasize the Chemistry of the individual, of the home and of the community.

Every pupil spends at least an hour each week in the laboratory doing experiments and actually proving for himself many of the facts discussed in the classroom.

In order to keep the pupils aware of the new discoveries being made daily in science, the school subscribes for the monthly magazine "Chemistry" which is a Science Service Publication, and prescribed readings are assigned periodically.

Our main objectives to be accomplished in the teaching of Biology are to have the pupils gain an understanding of the relationship of all living things and to realize the importance of conservation of all our natural resources. We are striving to achieve these purposes through the study of the textbook, "Biology and Human Affairs" by Ritchie, supplemented with laboratory specimens, Nature magazine, projects, field trips, and various discoveries made through keen observations at all times. As a result the pupils should learn how to better control our environment and thus be able to solve more of the problems of human

relationships and help make the world a better place to live in.

Last September a program of instruction in spelling was added to the English classes of grades seven through twelve inclusive. The main objectives of this program were to develop in each pupil:

1. A spelling consciousness
2. A desire for self-improvement in spelling
3. Ability to spell common words to meet his immediate and future needs.

To accomplish these objectives, new workbooks, "Directed Spelling Activities" by Betts and Arey, were provided for grades seven and eight. As there was no published high school spelling book, Mr. Blount, our superintendent, compiled a long list of the common words to serve as a guide to spelling power and vocabulary enrichment in the four high school classes. Provisions for the contextual use of these common words were made through assignments. For example, all words in the list that pertained to the November election were taught and then later were used in compositions.

Not only the English teachers but also the other teachers have been working to insure the success of the new program in the field of spelling. All teachers have required the pupils to correct all spelling errors. Each pupil must keep a list of his misspellings in the first half of his notebook. Then, as soon as he has learned these words, he has been allowed to write them in his mastery list.

Often a pupil has remarked even to his teacher, "I'm improving. I have only two errors; I used to have about ten." This improvement has made both the teacher and the pupil happy.

Our high school offers two years each of typewriting and shorthand as part of its commercial course. The equipment consists of twelve typewriters, a Ditto machine, a mimeograph, and a mimeoscope which was purchased one year with part of the proceeds from the sale of the school paper.

The first-year typist learns to write various styles of personal and business letters, fold them, use carbons; ad-

dress envelopes, plan simple tabulations, type stencils, take good care of his machine, and change typewriter ribbons. His speed at the end of the year should be at least thirty net words a minute. In the study of first-year Gregg shorthand, the theory is completely covered with as much speed as the individual can acquire, and transcription is introduced.

In advanced typing the student works for greater speed, the passing grade at the end of the year being forty-five net words per minute. A workbook with letterheads and business forms is used so that the work may as nearly as possible approximate office work. Each typist compiles an "Efficiency File" with collections of business letters, other business forms, clippings, etc. In addition to writing all kinds of business letters, he learns to plan difficult tabulations, to make out payrolls, and to type invoices and legal papers.

The advanced shorthand class reviews the principles as speed is developed. Certain days are set aside for transcription. In addition to transcribing the correct words, the student must center the letter on a letterhead and spell and punctuate correctly. All who wish to may subscribe to a shorthand magazine, "The Gregg Writer," which contains articles and stories in longhand and shorthand. This magazine, together with a booklet sent monthly to the teacher, has tests which both the typing and shorthand students may take. The results are sent to the examiners, and, if the papers qualify, certificates are sent to the winners. These shorthand tests stress penmanship, theory, and transcription. One of the senior girls has earned her 120-word transcription certificate, which means that she took dictation at that rate for five minutes and transcribed it on the typewriter with at least 95% accuracy. Last year the present senior class entered a nation-wide shorthand contest sponsored by the magazine and were awarded an Honorable Mention Banner. Certificates for speed and accuracy are awarded in typing.

As we have no office practice course, we try to include as much of it as possible through discussion in shorthand and typing classes and through outside reading. For practical

experience the senior typists act as secretaries to the teachers and there is a student in the principal's office each period.

Now, when there is such a need for competent help, it is more than ever our aim to graduate commercial students who can enter the business world and give honest and capable service.

Industrial Arts plays an important part in the life of each individual and in the culture of every nation.

The major objective of a course in fundamentals of shopwork is to develop manipulative skills, a knowledge of procedure and construction processes, a knowledge of the qualities and characteristics of materials, and habits of co-operation.

Pupils are given the opportunity for handling materials and experimenting with them. They are taught the care of materials and tools. This work of learning through doing increases one's manual skill, and in addition cultivates general intelligence, initiative, ambition, and thrift.

All boys in VII, VIII, and IX grades are required to engage in this work. They make a variety of articles such as tie-racks, foot-stools, bird houses, knife-boxes, desk sets, book-ends, models of airplanes and boats, wood-turned lamps, bowls, boxes, mallets, gavels and similar objects which appeal to their imagination.

The boys are also taught the use of mechanical drawing instruments, simple geometrical construction, and lettering. These skills find application in the drawing to scale the above mentioned projects.

The purchasing of mechanical drawing books and drawing material has been of great service in this department.

In Domestic Science, the seventh grade girls have completed head-bands, pot-holders and aprons, and are now working on blouses or pajamas. In February this group starts elementary foods, stressing the family breakfast.

The eighth grade have just finished making skirts or jumpers and are now starting their second project, a dress. The ninth grade has finished its first project, which included skirts, blouses, a dress, and a pair of shorts. This group is also starting its second garment.

In April, these higher grades start cooking once more. These two groups have already had ten weeks of cooking and have given luncheons to which the faculty have been invited.

The importance of Domestic Science cannot be stressed too much these days. War conditions make it even more important that the average girl in high school learn to use the principles of nutrition and the value of sewing.

In the courses in Algebra and Geometry workbooks have been furnished to each pupil in addition to their regular text books. By means of these workbooks it is hoped that a better understanding of the subject matter may be obtained.

In the Social Sciences and English, weekly newspapers are furnished which give the pupil an insight into the momentous problems which the world is facing today. The articles in them furnish topics for discussion in the class period and also furnish the pupils with current event topics which they must present to the class.

For outside reading in English, twenty points must be earned during the school year. The points allowed are as follows:

- 1 point—5-minute oral report to class
- 1 point—Book digest from Reader's Digest
- 1 point—5 short stories from approved magazine
- 1 point—Serial story from approved magazine
- 2 points—5 articles from approved magazine
- 2 points—100 pages of history
- 2 points—Approved new fiction
- 3 points—Approved new non-fiction
- 3 points—Book list fiction
- 4 points—Book list non-fiction over 200 pages i. e., biography, science, travel, history
Poetry at discretion of teacher.

To have your points recorded file on record cards and make a private report to teacher last period, after or before school. Deadline for the year, June 1. You should plan to get at least 3 points each marking period.

APPROVED MAGAZINES

| | |
|--------------------------|------------------------------------|
| American Reader's Digest | Chemistry Leaflet |
| Collier's | Country Gentlemen |
| Atlantic | Scientific American |
| Harper's | Nature Magazine |
| Fortune | Natural History |
| Time | National Geographic |
| News Week | Saturday Evening Post |
| McCall's | Ladies' Home Journal |
| Coronet | Woman's Home Companion |
| | Popular Science, Popular Mechanics |

Again I wish to call the attention of parents to the fact that regular attendance at school and regular preparation of home work is necessary if a pupil is to maintain an excellent scholastic record.

The New England College Entrance Certificate Board has again renewed our certificate privilege until December 31, 1947. This means that a pupil with a high scholastic record may enter any college on their list without taking entrance examinations, provided he or she is certified by the Principal.

In conclusion I wish to thank the teachers for their co-operation, the school committee for their loyal support, and the Superintendent for his advice and constructive criticism.

Respectfully submitted,

ALBERT S. WOODWARD,
Principal.

ROSTER OF TEACHERS

| Name | Graduate | Instructor of | Salary |
|---|---------------------------------------|----------------------------|---------|
| Albert S. Woodward, Principal, High School | Tufts College | Mathematics | \$3,300 |
| Gene Insani | Castine Normal School | Manual Arts | 1,900 |
| Genevieve Bagley | Boston College | English, Latin | 1,600 |
| Eva Hayward | Burdett College | Commercial | 1,800 |
| Doris Rodger | Framingham T. College | Social Studies | 1,550 |
| Lelia Libbey | University of Maine | Science, Elem. Mathematics | 1,850 |
| Eva Palmer | Boston University | French, English | 1,850 |
| Minnie Vetterling | Mass. State College | Domestic Arts | 1,400 |
| Mary Finn | Framingham T. College | Grade 6 | 1,700 |
| Florence Finn | Framingham T. College | Grade 5 | 1,500 |
| Margaret Cronin | Framingham T. College | Grade 4 | 1,300 |
| Dorothy Wilbur | Worcester T. College | Grade 3 | 1,450 |
| Mary Hayes | Framingham T. College | Grades 1, 2 | 1,500 |
| Julia Gleason, Principal, So. Union School | Framingham T. College | Grades 7, 8 | 1,780 |
| Hazel Fuller | Framingham T. College | Grades 4, 5, 6 | 1,300 |
| Mary Reagan | Framingham T. College | Grades 1, 2, 3 | 1,600 |
| Margaret Neary, Fayville School | Framingham T. College | Grades, 1, 2, 3 | 1,700 |
| Marguerite Peaslee | Student Various | Supervisor of Drawing | 450 |
| Elvira Sammiss | Art Institutions Boston University | Supervisor of Music | 460 |

ENROLLMENT AND MEMBERSHIP

Enrollment—October 1, 1944

| | Peters High School | So. Union School | Fayville School | Total |
|-------------|--------------------|------------------|-----------------|--------|
| Grade 1 | 17 | 11 | 5 | 33 |
| Grade 2 | 15 | 11 | 11 | 37 |
| Grade 3 | 18 | 11 | 6 | 35 |
| Grade 4 | 20 | 13 | | 33 |
| Grade 5 | 25 | 12 | | 37 |
| Grade 6 | 23 | 5 | | 28 |
| Grade 7 | 21 | 11 | | 32 |
| Grade 8 | 29 | 168 | 11 85 | 22 |
| | | | | 40 275 |
| Grade 9 | 21 | | | 21 |
| Grade 10 | 17 | | | 17 |
| Grade 11 | 15 | | | 15 |
| Grade 12 | 20 | | | 20 73 |
| Grand Total | | | | 348 |

MEMBERSHIP AND ATTENDANCE

Year Ending June 30, 1944

| | High School | Elementary | Total |
|--------------------------|-------------|------------|-------|
| Pupils enrolled | 84 | 275 | 359 |
| Average daily attendance | 76 | 235 | 311 |
| Average membership | 84 | 256 | 340 |
| Percent of attendance | 90.4 | 91.8 | |

COMPARATIVE DATA

The data in the following tabulations is based on the returns of Group III towns to the State Department of Education of July, 1944 for the school year ending June 30, 1944, which is the latest report available. Group III towns have a population less than 5000 and maintain high schools.

| | Southboro | Median for Group III |
|-----------------------|-------------|-------------------------|
| Valuation | \$2,961,075 | |
| Pupils enrolled | 359 | |
| Value per capita | 1327 | 1165 |
| Teacher load (pupils) | 21.3 | 23.2 |

| | Expenditures | Southboro Pc. of Total | Group III Percentage |
|----------------------|--------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------|
| General Control \$ | 1919 | 4.1 | 4.9 |
| Salaries*Instruction | 27160 | 57.8 | 60.0 |
| Text Books | 440 | .9 | 1.7 |
| Janitors | 4311 | 9.2 | 6.6 |
| Fuel | 2119 | 4.5 | 4.1 |
| Repairs | 2560 | 5.4 | 2.4 |
| Health | 1013 | 2.2 | 1.6 |
| Transportation | 5522 | | |
| Total for Support | \$46989 | Group III 47440 (Median) 6985 | |
| Value per pupil | 9521 | Group III 6985 (Median) | |
| % School Tax is of | | | |
| Total Tax | | 41.9 | 39.3 |

In the following tabulation a comparison between certain factors in the Southboro schools and median of the same factors in the schools of Group III towns is made.

Southboro Schools

| Number of Teachers | Average | | *Teacher Load | | *Cost per Pupil | |
|--------------------------------------|---------|-----|---------------|------|-----------------|--------|
| | H. S. | El. | H. S. | El. | H. S. | El. |
| 6 | 84 | 256 | 16.8 | 23.3 | 174.52 | 118.75 |
| Schools—Group IV Towns—Median | | | | | | |
| | 15.0 | | 27.7 | | 175.65 | 86.14 |

*Average number of pupils per teacher.

SCHOOL CENSUS

October 1, 1944

| | 7-16 yrs. | 5-7 yrs. |
|-------|-----------|----------|
| Boys | 23 | 160 |
| Girls | 17 | 127 |
| | 40 | 287 |

Distribution of Minors

| | | |
|------------------------|----|-----|
| In public day school | 24 | 261 |
| In private school | 5 | 25 |
| In vocational school | | 1 |
| Not enrolled in school | 11 | |
| | 40 | 287 |

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

To the School Committee of Southboro, Mass.

Gentlemen:

It gives me pleasure to submit the annual report of the Superintendent of Schools, which is the 19th in my series of annual reports.

Objectives of the Modern Elementary School

From the past we have inherited a body of fixed educational ideas, for the philosophy of earlier days has progressed on the basis of tradition. The school was considered an institution to which children were sent to be instructed in certain specific knowledges and skills. The teacher told them what to do and how to do it, and determined their success or failure. The teacher prescribed the kinds of behavior she considered appropriate, and administered rewards for conformity, and penalties for lack of conformity.

However, a new concept of the functions and objectives of elementary education is rapidly gaining acceptance. The resources of the school are being mobilized and its machinery is being organized to promote the best development of each individual child.

There is a clear recognition of the fact that the product of the school is first of all a modified personality, and that therefore its function is the building of wholesome, many-sided, yet integrated personalities, who act in accord with democratic ideals and are graded by knowledge of the natural and social world in all of its aspects. This effort to focus attention on the essentials of development rather than on the forms and mechanics of schooling is necessarily accompanied by a critical evaluation of such factors as classroom procedures, grading, promotion, discipline, incentives, and administration.

If we want socially disposed individuals, school experiences must be filled with the spirit of co-operative endeavor, in which pupils share responsibility and success. The school must also promote emotional stability, social adjustment, and creative achievement in an atmosphere of security and sympathetic understanding. We must aim to develop confident, self-reliant individuals through a program of success,

in which the child grows in ability to assume responsibility for his own decisions and behavior. The school must encourage both intellectual and emotional sincerity on the part of the child. Children must be permitted and helped to set up worthy purposes which they can carry through to successful conclusions. We must arouse respect for fact and truth by providing many opportunities for practicing the scientific attitude. Finally the school must offer opportunity for the appreciation and enjoyment of the beautiful in art, literature, and music.

The Learning Process

Real education must accept the children as they are and build upon their present tendencies and interests. We do not have to arouse them to action if we will but use the tendencies already impelling them to action. Wise guidance will encourage the desirable and discourage the undesirable manifestations of this energy. The teacher undertakes to guide the growth of boys and girls.

Children's interests are of first importance. No rational person who is free to choose applies himself to tasks that are wholly uninteresting to him. The development of children into wholesome, balanced, dynamic personalities can be achieved only by utilizing fully from day to day their interests, abilities, and enthusiasms. There need be no fear that their efforts or achievements will be deficient; many teachers have demonstrated beyond a doubt that children work hardest and accomplish most when the school's program is based upon their present needs, interests, and capacities.

Achievement in Academic Subjects

Elementary Grades

Herewith is tabulated the median or mid-scores for the six American School Achievement Tests for grades two to six. The normal or expected score for each of the grades is as follows: Grade two, 2.9; Grade three, 3.9; Grade four, 4.9; Grade 5, 5.9; Grade six, 6.9. The figure nine in each of the foregoing represents the ninth month of the school year since the tests were administered in May. The first figure of each of the foregoing represents the grade. A

pupil is accelerated if his score exceeds the median score of his grade. E. g., a fifth grade pupil who earns the score 6.2 is accelerated three months, or he has achieved at the present time a score which the average pupil would be expected to achieve three months hence. The retardation of a pupil or grad in terms of these national scores may be found in a similar manner.

The tabulation of scores follows:

| | Peters High School | | | | | Fayville School | | | So. Union School | | | |
|------------------------|--------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----------------|-----|-----|------------------|-----|-----|-----|
| | Grade 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | Grade 2 | 3 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 |
| Reading | 3.0 | 4.2 | 5.2 | 7.4 | 8.0 | 2.8 | 3.9 | 3.1 | 4.0 | 4.8 | 6.2 | 7.0 |
| Arithmetic Computation | 2.6 | 4.0 | 4.6 | 5.8 | 7.7 | 2.7 | 4.2 | 2.7 | 4.1 | 4.9 | 5.6 | 7.0 |
| Arithmetic Problems | 3.3 | 3.7 | 4.8 | 7.1 | 7.9 | 2.9 | 4.4 | 3.3 | 3.9 | 4.5 | 6.7 | 6.9 |
| Average Arithmetic | 2.9 | 3.8 | 4.8 | 6.3 | 7.8 | 2.8 | 4.3 | 2.9 | 4.0 | 4.7 | 6.2 | 7.0 |
| Language | 2.9 | 4.4 | 5.6 | 6.3 | 7.8 | 2.8 | 4.3 | 2.9 | 4.0 | 4.7 | 6.2 | 7.0 |
| Spelling | 2.7 | 4.6 | 5.2 | 6.4 | 7.9 | 2.7 | 3.8 | 3.1 | 3.9 | 4.8 | 5.7 | 6.2 |
| General Average | 2.8 | 4.2 | 5.0 | 6.7 | 7.8 | 2.9 | 4.2 | 3.2 | 4.1 | 4.7 | 6.2 | 6.8 |

Garrison Reading Test
Grade 1

The expected or normal score for the Garrison First Year Reading Test is 44. Tabulation of results in this test follows:

| | First Grade Score |
|-----------------------|----------------------|
| Peters High School 58 | So. Union School 44 |

Fayville School 44

Gregory-Spencer Geography Test

| | Southboro Score | Expected Score | Normal Score |
|---------|--------------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| Grade 5 | 51.5 | 38 | |
| Grade 6 | 69.5 | 61 | |

Renfrow History Test

Background of American History

| | | |
|---------|------|----|
| Grade 6 | 31.5 | 36 |
|---------|------|----|

Denny-Nelson American History Test

| | | |
|---------|----|----|
| Grade 8 | 49 | 61 |
| Grade 7 | 41 | 56 |

Public School Achievement Tests

| | Peters High School | | So. Union School | |
|--------------------|--------------------|----------|------------------|----------|
| | Grades | Grades | Grades | Grades |
| Reading | 51 | 53 | 49 | 53 |
| Language | 47 | 47 | 44 | 48 |
| Arith. Problems | 28.5 | 28 | 33 | 37 |
| Arith. Computation | 54 | 59 | 62 | 62 |
| | Score | Score | Score | Score |
| | Southboro | Expected | Southboro | Expected |

A Critical Need

The decreasing supply of trained teachers from teacher colleges and academic institutions has resulted in an unusual demand for the services of teachers who had retired prior to two years ago. Even this source of supply has been exhausted and additional schools throughout the United States had to be closed during 1944. This condition has resulted in a sharp rise in salary level since 1942. The latest figures available for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts were compiled in June, 1944 and include the salaries

of 1763 teachers in high and elementary schools. These figures are those voted by School Committees for the year beginning September, 1943. The summary follows and includes salaries paid in Towns of Group III — towns of less than 5000 population and maintaining high schools.

| | Elementary Salaries | | | High School | | |
|-----------------|---------------------|---------------|-------------|---------------|-------------|---------------|
| | High School | | High School | | High School | |
| | Women | Men | Women | Men | Women | Men |
| | Number | Median Salary | Number | Median Salary | Number | Median Salary |
| Group III Towns | 1078 | 1420 | 204 | 2080 | 481 | 1560 |
| Southboro | 10 | 1500 | 2 | 1800 | 5 | 1500 |
| Lowest Salary | | 1000 | | 1200 | | 1000 |
| Highest Salary | | 2000 plus | | 3200 | | 2000 |

Special Activities

The sale of United States War Savings Stamps and E series Bonds was continued in the schools during 1944. Teachers and pupils together purchased a total of \$5168.45.

Since in each of the schools 90% or more of the pupils purchased stamps or bonds during one or more months of 1944 or previous years all three schools have earned the right to fly the Minute Man Flag and to display the Minute Man Banner in the classroom.

Owing to a shortage of Kapok, a fibre used in the manufacture of life belts and life jackets, the War Hemp Industries, Inc. requested the school children of America to collect milk weed pods. The floss of this plant furnishes an excellent substitute for Kapok. The pupils of Southboro schools picked 49 large onion bags full for which they received twenty cents a bag. Pupils and teacher look forward to another season to a larger collection.

New Spelling Program

The spelling program in the elementary grades is now administered on a uniform basis from grades two through eight. This has been accomplished by the adoption of The Betts and Arey Directed Spelling Activities. This series of texts include a speller work book and text book combined and a teacher's manual which ensures a uniform program of instruction throughout the grades. The books have been planned and developed on the basic assumption that the systematic guidance in terms of common pupil needs

is desirable. A general language approach is made in the classroom and individual writing needs are clearly recognized.

The program serves the following purposes:

- 1 To establish good spelling relation with spelling situations
 - a To foster the development of desirable attitudes
 - b To develop a spelling consciousness
 - c To develop a desire for self-improvement
 - To develop a feeling of security in spelling situations.
- 2 Development of techniques for learning to spell new words.
- 3 Vocabulary enrichment for thinking and expressing.
- 4 Development of the ability to spell important words in school and out-of-school writing situations.
- 5 Development of accurate and worth-while study habits.

Classroom teachers are enthusiastic in their estimates of the new spelling program. Observation of the pupils at work seems to indicate that they enjoy the use of materials. It is impossible at this time to properly assess the true value of the program.

In the high school special stress has been laid on the spelling activity and vocabulary enrichment. The report of the High School Principal covers this in detail.

Current Events

There has never been a period during school history in which the interest in world events has been higher among pupils than at the present time. Pupils read the weekly news magazines supplied with avid interest and voluntarily make valuable contributions from daily papers and overseas letters. The young people's knowledge of present day events is considerably enhanced by this and they are likely to interpret the events of the next decade with far more intelligence.

The events of the past three years have also intensified interest in the social studies. Teachers of geography in particular testify to the new motivation for map study and knowledge of other peoples. The new encyclopedia "Lands and Peoples" supplied to the Peters High School and South Union School is in constant demand. The study of the so-

cial sciences thus tends to create a better understanding and a more sympathetic attitude toward other peoples.

Vocational Guidance

A few years ago the Massachusetts Department of Education conducted a comprehensive study of the problems of youth in the Commonwealth with the assistance of school personnel and many civic organizations. This resulted in the adoption of legislation establishing a Division of Vocational Guidance in this Department and permitting school committees of towns and school unions to employ a guidance supervisor. The emphasis placed on this service to the youth has also brought about the establishment of similar organizations in the higher institutions of learning and scientific associations.

The Southboro School Committee have made available to seniors of the high school the vocational guidance program of Boston University. This program includes the administering of guidance tests and personal conferences with each student. It also allows personal questions as to vocational abilities and vocational placement.

It is recommended that the School Committee also give careful consideration regarding the employment of a Vocational Counsellor in conjunction with the Northboro School Department in the near future.

A careful analysis of the results of achievement tests in the elementary schools clearly indicates an excellent standing of every grade. This reflects credit on the classroom work of the entire teaching staff particularly in view of the conditions under which they and the pupils have worked. My congratulations to them.

I should like also to extend my sincere appreciation of the excellent co-operation afforded me by all other teachers, supervisors and principals.

My association with the School Committee has been pleasant and I want to thank each member for his thoughtful consideration of the many problems which I have brought to him.

The attention of the Committee is called to the reports of the High School Principal, the Supervisor of Art, and the School Nurse.

Respectfully submitted,
HENRY G. BLOUNT,
 Superintendent of Schools.

SCHOOL DEPARTMENT DIRECTORY

School Committee

| | |
|-----------------------------|-------------------|
| Edmund H. Bullard, Chairman | Term Expires 1947 |
| James G. Stockwell | Term Expires 1946 |
| Paul J. Redmond | Term Expires 1945 |

Superintendent of Schools

| | |
|-----------------|------------------|
| Henry G. Blount | Northboro, Mass. |
|-----------------|------------------|

School Physician

Hugh Folsom, M. D.

School Nurse and Census Enumerator

Mrs. Rachel Hosmer, R. N.

Dental Examiner

Arthur G. Webster, D. D. S.

Attendance Officer

Robert H. Johnson

REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Your Committee submits respectfully its report for the year 1944:

The Committee has continued its program of maintaining the school properties in safe condition and good repair. In connection therewith we would call your attention to the following items:

In the Peters High School gymnasium, the Principal's and Teachers' rooms obsolete wiring and lighting fixtures have been replaced.

The exterior of the Annex has been painted, and repairs made to the wall and fence on the school property damaged by the hurricane.

The South Union School building has been painted, new front doors installed, furnace grates replaced, the boiler repaired, and a cesspool put in.

The facilities in the High School Science Department have been greatly improved and considerable new equipment has been added.

For complete details respecting the academic progress of the Town-School System we refer you to the reports of the Superintendent and Principal.

Current conditions have presented many unusual problems, but we are pleased to state that our schools have been operating most satisfactorily and efficiently.

The Committee wishes to express its appreciation to Superintendent Henry G. Blount, Principal Albert S. Woodward and the entire Staff for their continued faithful service and co-operation.

The Committee wishes also to thank Mrs. Woodward and her ladies for the grand job they are doing in conducting the school cafeteria.

Respectfully,

EDMUND H. BULLARD

PAUL J. REDMOND

JAMES G. STOCKWELL

IN MEMORIAM

In behalf of all we wish to express deep sympathy to the Family of Mr. Charles E. Adams, who served the Southborough Schools in a kindly and faithful manner.

EDMUND H. BULLARD

PAUL J. REDMOND

JAMES G. STOCKWELL

REPORT OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen,
Southborough, Massachusetts.

Gentlemen:

Following is the report of the Police Department for the year 1944:

| | |
|-------------------------------------|----|
| Accidents investigated | 18 |
| Cars checked for traffic violations | 64 |
| Stolen cars recovered | 1 |
| Summons served | 23 |

| | |
|---------------------------------|----|
| Break and entering investigated | 3 |
| Other investigations | 54 |
| Arrests | 11 |
| Fatal Accidents | 0 |
| Doors found open in stores | 23 |

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES E. GIFFIN,

Chief of Police.

REPORT OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen,
Southboro, Mass.

Gentlemen:

I hereby submit the annual report of the Fire Department for the year 1944.

During the year the department answered 120 calls as follows:

| | |
|-------------------|-----|
| Building Fires | 15 |
| Auto Fires | 3 |
| Chimneys | 12 |
| False or Needless | 9 |
| Brush Fires | 76 |
| Dump Fires | 5 |
| | 120 |

The department answered seven calls out of town.

During the year there were 941 feet of ladders raised and 34,950 feet of hose laid as follows: 14,300 ft. of 2½ inch, 3350 ft. of 1½ inch and 18,400 ft. of 1 inch.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN W. BOLAND,

Chief of Fire Dept.

REPORT OF FIRE WARDEN

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen,
Southboro, Mass.

Gentlemen:

I hereby submit the annual report of the Forest Warden for the year 1944.

During the year there were 76 brush and grass fires, burning over an area of 165 acres. Most of these fires were under one acre and caused by careless burning of rubbish. This is very unnecessary and creates an expenditure of town funds that could be avoided if everyone was more careful.

I cannot impress too strongly on the people of Southboro the need for closer cooperation in regard to the burning of grass and rubbish.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN W. BOLAND,
Forest Warden

REPORT OF WATER COMMISSIONERS

Herewith is presented the Fifteenth Annual Report of the Water Commissioners for the year 1944.

Consumption of Water

The total amount pumped for the year was 60,095,000 gallons.

The Town Departments such as Street, Moth and Fire Departments used 2,150,000 gallons.

Property owned by the Town used 4,179,000 gallons.

Water supplied to the Fay School Pool for the use of the Town amounted to 957,000 gallons.

Six hydrant connections were supplied to property owners outside the pipe lines.

Services

There were five services installed during the year as follows:

M. E. Hewitt, Marlboro Road

Marlborough Savings Bank, Cordaville Road

St. Mark's School, School Street

John Thoits, Southville Road

Ethel Maley, Boston Road

General

The hydrant at Little Deerfoot-Turnpike Road was repaired.

Once again the attention of the public is called to the following Water Department Rule and Regulation:

Section 10 — No person except an employee of the Water

Department or of the Fire Department in the discharge of his duties, shall open any public hydrant without the consent of the Board or its authorized agent.

The log at the Pumping Station has been kept, showing the amount of water pumped, the pressure, the amount of chlorine used and the supplies received.

The interior of the Station has been painted.

The basement of the shop has been repaired and fitted up for the storage of pipe and fittings.

The Southville tank has been painted.

Two leaks were repaired during the year — one on Southville Road and one on Parker Street.

Respectfully submitted,

C. EDWARD BAKER,

CHARLES H. NEWTON

AUBREY C. ALLEN

Board of Water Commissioners.

REPORT OF LIBRARIAN

| | |
|---|---------|
| Number of volumes in Library | 22,400 |
| Volumes added | 466 |
| Volumes donated | 180 |
| Volumes purchased | 286 |
| Total circulation | 32,212 |
| Fiction | 26,300 |
| Non-Fiction | 2,458 |
| Current Periodicals | 3,454 |
| Southboro's Circulation | |
| Total circulation | 23,066 |
| Adult Fiction | 17,405 |
| Juvenile Fiction | 2,359 |
| Adult Fiction | 1,807 |
| Juvenile Fiction | 274 |
| Adult Current Periodicals | 606 |
| Juvenile Current Periodicals | 530 |
| Adult Attendance | 4,410 |
| Juvenile Attendance | 5,543 |
| Largest month of circulation — March | 2,540 |
| Smallest month of circulation — September | 1,327 |
| Fines | \$19.00 |

| Fayville | Southville and Cordaville |
|--|---------------------------|
| 4532 Total circlation | 4614 |
| 1504 Adult Fiction | 1743 |
| 1498 Juvenile Fiction | 1706 |
| 198 Non-Fiction | 179 |
| 1332 Current Periodicals | 986 |
| 799 Adult Attendance | 811 |
| 842 Juvenile Attendance | 816 |
| 143 Miss Reagan's Room, South Union School | |

TRIAL BALANCE, DECEMBER 31, 1944

| | Dr. | Cr. |
|----------------------------------|-------------|----------|
| General Cash | \$83,491.02 | |
| Willson Fund Cash | 150.83 | |
| Fay Library Fund Cash | 161.96 | |
| Rural Cemetery Reserve Fund Cash | 393.84 | |
| Water Dept. Liens | 232.28 | |
| 1939 Tax Account | 1.70 | |
| 1940 Motor Vehicle Excise Tax | 3.25 | |
| 1941 Tax Account | | \$1.60 |
| 1941 Moth Tax | | .10 |
| 1942 Poll Tax | 2.00 | |
| 1942 Real Estate Tax | 16.15 | |
| 1942 Moth Tax | | 1.50 |
| 1943 Motor Excise Tax | 20.27 | |
| 1943 Poll Tax | 2.00 | |
| 1943 Personal Tax | 242.12 | |
| 1943 Real Estate Tax | 3,468.13 | |
| 1943 Moth Tax | 7.45 | |
| 1944 Motor Excise Tax | 68.85 | |
| 1944 Poll Tax | 38.00 | |
| 1944 Personal Tax | 436.81 | |
| 1944 Real Estate Tax | 8,790.28 | |
| 1944 Moth Tax | 32.90 | |
| Water Services and Miscellaneous | 522.15 | |
| Water Rates | 1,086.75 | |
| Water Dept. Available Surplus | | 2,374.52 |
| Tax Title Account | 67.12 | |
| 1939 Overlay | | 1.70 |
| 1943 Overlay | | 1,268.25 |

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|--|-----------|
| 1944 Overlay | 1,028.64 |
| Overlay Reserve Fund | 4,201.42 |
| Revenue, Motor Vehicle Excise | 92.37 |
| Special Assessment Revenue | 38.75 |
| Departmental Revenue | 684.19 |
| Tax Title Revenue | 67.12 |
| Water Dept. Revenue | 1,841.18 |
| State and County Aid to Highway Revenue | 4,693.69 |
| Accounts Receivable: | |
| Tree Warden Dept. | 8.95 |
| Moth Dept. | 32.20 |
| Cemetery Dept. | 242.50 |
| Police Dept. | 11.00 |
| Highway Dept. | 316.49 |
| Bureau of Old Age Assistance | 73.05 |
| C. of M. Chapter 90 Maint. contract | 199.99 |
| County of Worc. Chapter 90 Maintenance contract | 199.99 |
| C. of M. Chapter 81 contract | 4,293.71 |
| Accounts Payable: | |
| Temporary Loan in Anticipation of | |
| Reimbursement from State and County | 1,992.44 |
| Dog License for County | 6.40 |
| Perp. Care Deposits for Investment | 45.00 |
| Dog Licenses from County | 596.68 |
| Post War Rehabilitation Fund | 25,000.00 |
| Excess and Deficiency | 48,968.74 |
| Town Hall Maintenance | 307.68 |
| Police Dept. | 119.47 |
| Fire Department Maintenance | 1,000.00 |
| Moth Department | 5.55 |
| Tree Warden Department | 5.60 |
| Tree Warden Private Work | 14.40 |
| Board of Health | 46.50 |
| Street Lights | 313.96 |
| Road Machinery Fund | 3,577.76 |
| Highway: | |
| Chapter 81 | 2,251.48 |
| Street Drainage (opposite Firmin property) | 541.33 |
| Motor Grader | 266.80 |

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|----------------------------------|------------|
| Snow Removal and Equipment | 204.54 |
| Special Maintenance | 26.75 |
| Chapter 90 Maintenance | 137.52 |
| Southville Hopkinton Bridge | 2,126.33 |
| Willson Charity Fund, Income | 150.83 |
| John L. Bacon Fund, Income | 691.45 |
| School Department | 1,105.35 |
| Trade School Tuition | 33.13 |
| Fay Library Fund Income | 161.96 |
| Water Department Maintenance | 244.20 |
| Fayville Hall | 30.90 |
| Fire Insurance | 8.50 |
| Highway Account Payable (1934) | 858.75 |
| Cemetery Maintenance | 350.00 |
| Interest on: | |
| Perp. Care Trust Funds | 1,443.10 |
| Lucretia Brigham Fund | 62.21 |
| Rural Cemetery Reserve Fund | 398.84 |
| Interest on Debt | 7.56 |
| Net Bonded Debt | 183,000.00 |
| School Loan | 8,000.00 |
| Water Loan | 150,000.00 |
| Water Loan, Fayville | 24,000.00 |
| Fire Equipment Loan | 1,000.00 |
| Trust Funds, Cash and Securities | 40,914.68 |
| John L. Bacon Fund | 10,000.00 |
| Fay Library Fund | 1,611.68 |
| Willson Charity Fund | 1,000.00 |
| Cemetery TrustFund | 27,303.00 |
| Lucretia Brigham Cemetery Fund | 1,000.00 |
| | 330,917.42 |
| | 330,917.42 |

TOWN OF SOUTHBOROUGH, BALANCE SHEET, JANUARY 1, 1945
REVENUE

| ASSET ACCOUNTS | | LIABILITY ACCOUNTS | |
|---------------------------|-------------|-------------------------------------|------------|
| Cash Balances: | | Overlay Balances: | |
| General Cash Account | \$83,491.02 | Year of 1939 | \$1.70 |
| Willson Fund Cash | 150.83 | Year of 1943 | 1,268.25 |
| Fay Library Fund Cash | 161.96 | Year of 1944 | 1,028.64 |
| Rural Cem. Res. Fund Cash | 393.84 | Overlay Reserve Fund | 4,201.42 |
| | \$84,197.65 | | \$6,500.01 |
| Uncollected Tax Accounts: | | Revenue Accounts: | |
| Taxes — Water Liens | 232.28 | Motor Vehicle Excise | 92.37 |
| 1939 Tax Account | 1.70 | Special Assessment | 38.75 |
| 1940 Motor Excise Tax | 3.25 | Departmental | 684.19 |
| 1942 Poll Tax | 2.00 | Tax Title | 67.12 |
| 1942 Real Estate Tax | 16.15 | Water Dept. | 1,841.18 |
| 1943 Motor Excise Tax | 20.27 | State and County Aid to Highways | 4,693.69 |
| 1943 Poll Tax | 2.00 | | 7,417.30 |
| 1943 Personal Tax | 242.12 | Trust and Investment Funds | |
| 1943 Real Estate Tax | 3,468.13 | Income Balances: | |
| 1943 Moth Tax | 7.45 | Interest on: | |
| 1944 Motor Excise Tax | 68.85 | Willson Fund | 150.83 |
| 1944 Poll Tax | 38.00 | Bacon Fund | 691.45 |
| 1944 Personal Tax | 436.81 | Fay Library Fund | 161.96 |
| 1944 Real Estate Tax | 8,790.28 | | |

| | | |
|---------------|-------|--------------------|
| 1944 Moth Tax | 32.90 | - |
| Tax Titles | 67.12 | |
| | | <u>\$13,429.31</u> |

Accounts Receivable:

| | |
|---------------------------------|-------------------|
| Water Services and Misc. | \$522.15 |
| Water Rates | 1,086.75 |
| Tree Warden Dept. | 8.95 |
| Moth Dept. | 32.20 |
| Cemetery Dept. | 242.50 |
| Police Dept. | 11.00 |
| Highway Dept. | 316.49 |
| Bureau of Old Age Assistance | 73.05 |
| C. of M. Chapt. 90 High. Maint. | 199.99 |
| City of Worc. Chap. 90 Maint. | 199.99 |
| C. of M. Chap. 81 High. Maint. | 4,293.71 |
| | <u>\$6,986.78</u> |

Due Appropriation Accts. from

State and County Aid:

| | |
|--------------------|---------------------|
| Chapter 81 Highway | 2,251.48 |
| Chapter 90 Highway | 137.52 |
| | <u>2,389.00</u> |
| | <u>\$107,002.74</u> |

| | |
|---------------------------|-----------------|
| Cemetery Perp. Care Funds | 1,443.10 |
| Lucretia Brigham Fund | 62.21 |
| | <u>2,509.55</u> |

Accounts Payable:

| | |
|--|---------------------|
| Taxes Collected in excess of Warrant | 3.20 |
| Payable to County a/c Dog Lic. | .6.40 |
| Perp. Care Deposits for Inv. | 45.00 |
| Highway 1934 Acct. Payable | 858.75 |
| Appropriation Balances held to pay 1944 bills in 1945 | 6,758.55 |
| Temporary Loan — Highway | 1,992.44 |
| | <u>9,664.34</u> |
| Rural Cemetery Reserve Fund | 393.84 |
| 1944 Dog License Money from County | 596.68 |
| Water Available Surplus | 2,374.52 |
| Road Machinery Fund | 3,577.76 |
| Post War Rehabilitation Fund | 25,000.00 |
| Excess and Deficiency | 48,968.74 |
| | <u>\$107,002.74</u> |

INDEBTEDNESS

| | | | |
|-----------------|--------------|---------------------------------------|--------------|
| Net Bonded Debt | \$183,000.00 | 1929 School and Equipment Loan | \$8,000.00 |
| | | 1930 Town Water Loan | 150,000.00 |
| | | 1930 Fayville Fire & Water Dist. Loan | 24,000.00 |
| | | 1940 Fire Equipment Loan | 1,000.00 |
| <hr/> | | | \$183,000.00 |

TRUST FUNDS

| | | | |
|----------------------------------|-------------|-----------------------|-------------|
| Trust Funds, Cash and Securities | \$40,914.68 | John L. Bacon Fund | \$10,000.00 |
| | | Fay Library Fund | 1,611.68 |
| | | Willson Charity Fund | 1,000.00 |
| | | Cemetery Trust Funds | 27,303.00 |
| | | Lucretia Brigham Fund | 1,000.00 |
| <hr/> | | | \$40,914.68 |

DEBT STATEMENT JANUARY 1, 1945

| Loan | Outstanding Jan. 1, 1944 | Paid in 1944 | Outstanding Jan. 1, 1945 | Due in 1945 | Rate of Interest | Amount of Interest | Interest Due | Principal Due |
|--|-----------------------------|--------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------|------------------|
| School 1929-1949 | \$10,000.00 | \$2,000.00 | \$8,000.00 | \$2,000.00 | 4½ % | \$180.00 | 8- 1-45 | 9- 1-45 |
| Town Water 1930-1959 | 160,000.00 | 10,000.00 | 150,000.00 | 10,000.00 | 4% | 3,000.00 | 1- 1-45 | 7- 1-45 |
| Fayville Fire and Water District 1930-1959 | 26,000.00 | 2,000.00 | 26,000.00 | 2,000.00 | 4¾ % | 570.00 | 4- 1-45 | 10- 1-45 |
| Fire Equipment Loan 1941-1945 | 12,000.00 | 1,000.00 | 1,000.00 | 1,000.00 | ¾ % | 3.75 | 5-15-45 | 10-15-45 |
| Totals | \$198,000.00 | \$15,000.00 | \$183,000.00 | \$15,000.00 | | \$7,507.50 | | |

SALARIES AND WAGE SCHEDULE, YEAR 1944

| Established by the Town | Total |
|---------------------------------|----------|
| Selectmen (3) | \$450.00 |
| Treasurer | 500.00 |
| Collector | 600.00 |
| Assessors (3) | 975.00 |
| Town Clerk | 350.00 |
| Registrars of Voters (4) | 100.00 |
| Sealer of Weights and Measures | 75.00 |
| Overseers of Public Welfare (3) | 150.00 |
| Welfare Agent | 819.00 |
| Tree Warden | 25.00 |
| Board of Health (3) | 75.00 |
| Cemetery Commissioners (3) | 75.00 |
| School Committee (3) | 300.00 |

Other Salaries and Wages

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| Town Accountant | 750.00 |
| Clerk, Selectmen | 75.00 |
| Fire Dept. Total Salaries | 2,606.60 |
| Night Patrolmen, Total Salaries | 1,803.75 |
| Police Chief | 365.00 |
| Fayville Officer, per week | 13.15 |
| Registrar, Water Dept. | 150.00 |
| Forest Fire Warden | 50.00 |
| Supt. of Water Dept. | 2,000.00 |
| Forest Fire Payrolls (per hour) | .50 and .60 |
| Cemetery Labor (per day) | 5.00 and 5.50 |
| Town Labor (per day) | 5.00 and 5.50 |
| Dog Officer | 75.00 |
| Town Counsel | 300.00 |
| Town Hall Janitor | 900.00 |
| Fayville Hall Janitor | 300.00 |
| School Physician | 100.00 |
| School Dentist | 50.00 |
| Supt. of Streets | 2,000.00 |
| Supt. of Streets, Travel Allowance | 300.00 |
| Supt. of Cemeteries | 1,560.00 |
| Inspector of Animals | 100.00 |
| Inspector of Slaughtering | 10.00 |
| Southboro School, Regular Janitor, per month | 143.00 |

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|---------------------------------------|--------|
| Southboro School, Helper, per hour | .40 |
| Southville School, Janitor, per month | 108.32 |
| Fayville School Janitor, per month | 53.30 |
| Librarian | 840.00 |
| Assistant Librarians (total) | 205.00 |
| Janitor, Southboro Library | 540.00 |
| Janitor, Southville Library | 27.00 |
| Burial Agent | 10.00 |
| Election and Registration (total) | 618.97 |

REPORT OF DOG OFFICER

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen.

Gentlemen:

I hereby submit my report for year ending December 31, 1944.

- 56 Notices were sent requesting licenses be paid.
- 12 Stray dogs picked up and disposed of.
- 8 Nuisance Calls.
- 2 Livestock Damage.
- 2 Returned to Owners.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT W. SEALEY,
Dog Officer.

REPORT OF SUPT. OF STREETS

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen.

Gentlemen:

The shortage of labor is an increasingly serious problem in carrying on our maintenance work.

The Highway trucks participated in all the Scrap Drives.

The new Motor Grader arrived August 5, 1945 somewhat late for a full season's work, but we were able to accomplish some much needed road repairs.

I recommend the town equip this grader for snow removal as this winter has proved that this powerful machine should be used in all its capacities.

I wish to thank everyone for their kind considerations during the bad storms. Also the Police Department for its cooperation.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT W. SEALEY,
Superintendent of Streets

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE TO INVESTIGATE THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A WAITING STATION AT FAYVILLE

A meeting of this committee was called early in the fall, and it was decided to contact the Boston and Worcester Street Railway Company in regard to their building a waiting station at the Fayville Square; but due to the fact that a location could not be obtained, and due to the shortage of labor and material, nothing could be done at this time.

It was suggested to the bus company that they hold-over their busses at Fayville instead of at Hudson to eliminate the long wait out-of-doors now necessary at Fayville, but due to their main line being in Marlborough and the necessary connections that must be made with other bus lines at Hudson, the busses could not be held-over at Fayville.

Respectfully submitted,

ARTHUR L. HOSMER,

Chairman

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

We hereby submit our annual report for the year 1944.

The Board was organized in March with Mr. Arthur L. Hosmer, chairman, Mr. George H. Burnett and Mr. Hamilton Armstrong, clerk.

Reports of departments under the supervision of the Board of Selectmen as well as the names of committee members and department heads appointed, appear elsewhere in the town report.

In accordance with the vote of the Town under Article 16 of the Annual Town Meeting Warrant of March 1944, bids were requested on Motor Graders, and after considerable investigation it was decided to purchase a "Caterpillar" No. 12 Diesel motor grader from the Perkins-Eaton Machinery Company of Boston.

This year marked the completion of the "Southborough-Hopkinton" bridge over the Sudbury River in Southville. Bids were requested and after due consideration by all parties concerned, the contract was awarded to the Bayer and Mingolla Construction Company of Worcester, the lowest bidder. The cost of this bridge was divided between the towns of Southborough and Hopkinton, the counties of

Worcester and Middlesex and the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

It was decided to repair the flagpole on the Town House Grounds this year, as the sectional joints were becoming loose. The contract was awarded to the Roy O. Leonard Company of Framingham, and the pole was straightened, welded and painted.

Due to many reports of stray cattle causing damage to property throughout the town, the ancient Town Pound was re-opened.

A unanimous vote of thanks was extended to the Police Department, the Fire Department and the Highway Department for their cooperation on the night of the hurricane, September 14, 1944. The members of these departments having given their services without cost to the town. It was also voted to send a letter of thanks to the Sheriff of Worcester County for his interest during this emergency.

It was unanimously voted to set the Bond for the town treasurer at \$45,000.00 and the Bond for the tax collector at \$14,700.00.

We again thank the Saint Mark's School and the Fay School for their kindness in allowing the free use of their swimming pools to the inhabitants of the town.

It is with sorrow that we record the passing of Mr. George F. Field, former member of the Board of Selectmen. Southborough will long remember Mr. Field for his deep interest in town affairs and for his record of faithful service to the community.

ARTHUR L. HOSMER
GEORGE H. BURNETT
HAMILTON ARMSTRONG,
Board of Selectmen

INSURANCE POLICIES HELD BY TOWN

(In possession of the Town Accountant)

American Insurance Company, Policy No. A-518596, covering fire, lightning and transportation hazards on motor vehicles of the Highway, Fire and Police Departments.

American Insurance Company, Policy No. 374609, fire insurance on Town buildings and contents.

The Travelers Insurance Company, Policy No. F. A. 3153792, public liability and property damage on all Town owned motor vehicles.

The Travelers Indemnity Company, Policy No. RS-361627-44, burglary insurance, Tax Collector.

New Amsterdam Casualty Company, Policy No. MRS-131605, robbery and safe burglary, insurance, Treasurer.

Travelers Insurance Company, Policy No. UB 1334762, workmen's compensation insurance, all Town employees except firemen.

Aetna Life Insurance Company, Policy No. VF 1114, accident insurance, Volunteer Fire Department.

The Hartford Steam Boiler Inspection and Insurance Company, Policy No. 84-2509, boiler insurance at the following locations:

Peter's High School

Peter's High School Annex

Central Fire Station

South Union School

Fayville Hall

Pumping Station

Road Roller

| | Item | 1944 Appropriation | 1944 Expenditures | 1945 Requested | 1945 Recommended |
|------------------------|------|-----------------------|----------------------|-------------------|---------------------|
| Advisory Committee | 1 | \$15.00 | \$18.11 | \$15.00 | \$15.00 |
| Planning Board | 2 | 50.00 | 10.00 | 30.00 | 30.00 |
| Selectmen | 3 | 640.85 | 638.29 | 894.00 | 894.00 |
| Accounting | 4 | 810.00 | 809.88 | 880.00 | 880.00 |
| Treasurer | 5 | 875.00 | 919.45 | 978.50 | 978.50 |
| Tax Collector | 6 | 901.50 | 878.49 | 907.25 | 907.25 |
| | | \$3,292.35 | \$3,274.22 | \$3,704.75 | \$3,704.75 |
| Town Clerk | 7 | 560.00 | 539.80 | 558.00 | 558.00 |
| Election & Regist. | 8 | 864.00 | 977.41 | 529.00 | 529.00 |
| Assessors | 9 | 1,145.00 | 1,289.90 | 1,322.00 | 1,322.00 |
| Legal | 10 | 500.00 | 400.00 | 700.00 | 700.00 |
| Town Hall | 11 | 1,458.00 | 1,425.32 | 1,689.00 | 1,689.00 |
| Ration Board | 12 | 150.00 | 120.37 | 125.00 | 125.00 |
| | | \$4,677.00 | \$4,752.80 | \$4,923.00 | \$4,923.00 |
| Tax Title Expense | 13 | 50.00 | 5.30 | 25.00 | 25.00 |
| Police | 14 | 3,549.00 | 3,644.19 | 3,480.00 | 3,480.00 |
| Fire Dept. Maintenance | 15 | 2,155.60 | 2,068.08 | 2,633.00 | 2,633.00 |
| | | \$5,754.60 | \$5,717.57 | \$6,138.00 | \$6,138.00 |

| | Item | 1944 Appropriation | 1944 Expenditures | 1945 Requested | 1945 Recommended |
|-----------------------------|------|--------------------|-------------------|----------------|------------------|
| Fire Salaries | 16 | 2,625.00 | 2,606.60 | 2,645.00 | 2,645.00 |
| Forest Fires & Equip. | 17 | 725.00 | 1,114.03 | 1,295.00 | 1,295.00 |
| Hydrant-Snow Removal | 18 | 50.00 | 23.58 | 50.00 | 50.00 |
| Moth | 19 | 1,000.00 | 1,053.98 | 1,418.00 | 1,200.00 |
| Tree Warden | 20 | 712.20 | 712.88 | 712.20 | 712.20 |
| Sealer Weights and Measures | 21 | 204.22 | 153.77 | 113.00 | 113.00 |
| | | \$5,316.42 | \$5,664.84 | \$6,233.20 | \$6,015.20 |
| Board of Health | 22 | 1,450.00 | 1,356.95 | 2,053.00 | 1,695.00 |
| Inspector of Animals | 23 | 120.00 | 139.14 | 120.00 | 120.00 |
| Street Lighting | 24 | 4,012.75 | 3,972.21 | 4,146.44 | 4,146.44 |
| Snow Removal | 25 | 1,600.00 | 1,427.09 | 3,500.00 | 3,500.00 |
| Highway-Spec. Main. | 26 | 1,200.00 | 1,350.10 | 1,465.00 | 1,365.00 |
| Welfare | 27 | 3,500.00 | 3,439.50 | 3,500.00 | 3,000.00 |
| Old Age Assistance | 28 | 12,000.00 | 18,756.36 | 12,000.00 | 12,000.00 |
| Soldiers' Relief | 29 | 5,000.00 | 2,058.00 | 5,000.00 | 4,000.00 |
| School Department | 30 | 47,919.75 | 47,635.09 | 50,240.00 | 50,224.00 |
| | | \$76,802.50 | \$80,134.44 | \$82,024.44 | \$80,050.44 |

| | Item | 1944 Appropriation | 1944 Expenditures | 1945 Requested | 1945 Recommended |
|--------------------------------|------|-----------------------|----------------------|-------------------|---------------------|
| Trade School Tuition | 31 | 800.00 | 813.79 | 900.00 | 900.00 |
| Library | 32 | *1,698.80 | 2,557.54 | 2,641.00 | 2,600.00 |
| Water Department Maint. | 33 | 7,572.50 | 7,157.85 | 8,326.50 | 8,326.50 |
| Reserve Fund | 34 | 3,000.00 | 2,507.60 | 3,000.00 | 3,000.00 |
| Fayville Hall | 35 | 528.00 | 679.44 | 759.00 | 759.00 |
| Common & Town House Grounds | 36 | 420.00 | 327.43 | 420.00 | 420.00 |
| Town Reports | 37 | 400.00 | 400.00 | 455.00 | 455.00 |
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| | | \$14,419.30 | \$14,443.65 | \$16,501.50 | \$16,460.50 |
| Liability Insurance | 38 | 1,343.71 | 1,193.15 | 1,885.58 | 1,885.58 |
| Fire Insurance | 39 | 827.79 | 827.79 | 791.04 | 791.04 |
| Cemetery | 40 | 4,090.00 | 3,752.70 | 3,950.00 | 3,950.00 |
| Interest on Debt | 41 | 8,100.00 | 8,100.00 | 7,522.50 | 7,522.50 |
| Debt Retirement | 42 | 6,000.00 | 15,000.00 | 15,000.00 | 15,000.00 |
| Civilian Defense | 43 | 200.00 | 127.32 | 18.33 | 18.33 |
| Welfare—Aid to Dependent | | | | | |

| | 1944 | 1944 | 1945 Item | 1945 Appropriation | 1945 Expenditures | Requested | Recommended |
|----------|------|------|--------------|-----------------------|----------------------|--------------|--------------|
| Children | | 44 | | 1,800.00 | 1,477.97 | 1,800.00 | 1,800.00 |
| | | | | \$22,361.50 | \$30,478.93 | \$30,967.45 | \$30,967.45 |
| | | | | \$132,623.67 | \$144,466.45 | \$150,492.34 | \$148,259.34 |

* Plus \$631.92 from Dog Tax.
Dog Tax for Use \$596.68.

HERBERT HOLMES

FRANCIS W. LAPINE, Secretary

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FRANK HOLLAND

CHARLES W. VAREY

ALFRED HOWES

CHARLES FANTONY, Chairman

Advisory Committee

TOWN WARRANT**COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS**

Worcester, ss.

February 19, 1945

To either of the Constables of the Town of Southborough,

Greetings:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Southborough, qualified to vote in elections and Town affairs, to meet in the Town House in said Southborough, on

Monday Evening, March 12, 1945

at seven o'clock, then and there to take action on the following Articles:

Article 1. To choose a Moderator to preside in said meeting.

Article 2. To hear the reports of the various Town Officers and Committees or do or act thereon.

Article 3. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary for the Town's use and make appropriation of the same.

Article 4. To see if the Town will authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1945, and to issue a note or notes therefor payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Section 17, Chapter 44 of the General Laws, as amended, and pass any vote or take any action in relation thereto.

Article 5. To see if the Town will authorize the Board of Assessors, subject to the written authority of the Commissioner of Corporations and Taxation, to use free cash in the Town Treasury, and if so, what sum, for the purpose of reducing the amount to be raised and assessed as taxes in 1945, or pass any vote relative thereto.

Article 6. To see what disposition shall be made of the dog money.

Article 7. To see if the Town will accept contributions from the Saint Mark's School and the Fay School, if any, and determine what disposition shall be made of the same if accepted, or do or act thereon.

Article 8. To see if the Town will authorize the sum of \$250.00 to be expended from the Cemetery Reserve Fund; for the purchase of loam, the payment of labor, etc., and for the maintenance of the Old Cemetery; or otherwise do or act thereon. (Proposed by the Cemetery Commissioners.)

Article 9. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$300.00 for the purchase of Concrete Graye Liners; to be carried in stock and sold as needed; or otherwise do or act thereon. (Proposed by the Cemetery Commissioners.)

Article 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1200.00 for repairing cemetery buildings and tomb, and to purchase a Casket Placer and a small second hand truck for cemetery use; or otherwise do or act thereon. (Proposed by the Cemetery Commissioners.)

Article 11. To see if the Town will vote to increase the salary of the Board of Health from \$25.00 to \$50.00, or otherwise do or act thereon. (Proposed by the Board of Health.)

Article 12. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$370.00 to be used at the Fay Library for the purpose of painting doors and windows inside and out, draining basement, repairing back of hot air furnace, and purchasing material for dressing cement and marble floors; or do or act thereon. (Proposed by the Library Committee.)

Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate the sum of \$50.00 for private tree work, or do or act thereon. (Proposed by the Tree Warden.)

Article 14. To see what action the Town will take regarding the acceptance of a new street leading off of Lyman Street, known as Hillside Avenue, situated between the houses of Charles M. Newton, Joseph Trioli, and Margaret A. Salmon as shown and described on a plan and lay-out on file in the Town Clerk's Office, or do or act thereon. (Proposed by William G. Salmon.)

Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$692.00, to be expended under the direction of the Selectmen, to defray the expenses of supervision, maintenance, and to supply water in connection with the use of the Fay School Swimming Pool by the inhabitants of the Town. (Proposed by the Board of Selectmen and the Board of Water Commissioners.)

Article 16. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1045.00 for the purchase of Snow Equipment for the Caterpillar Grader, or do or act thereon. (Proposed by the Superintendent of Streets and the Board of Selectmen.)

Article 17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$6900.00 for maintenance of Chapter 81 roads, or do or act thereon. (Proposed by the Superintendent of Streets and the Board of Selectmen.)

Article 18. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$700.00 for the maintenance of Chapter 90 Highways, said money to be used in conjunction with any money which may be allotted by the State or County, or both, for this purpose, or take any other action in relation thereto. (Proposed by the Superintendent of Streets and the Board of Selectmen.)

Article 19. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1373.00 for Highway Equipment and Maintenance, or do or act thereon. (Proposed by the Superintendent of Streets and the Board of Selectmen.)

Article 20. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate such sums of money as may be necessary to install a drainage system which will be adequate to drain the properties on East Main and Walker Streets, or do

or act anything in relation thereto. (Proposed by Francis W. Lapine and sixteen others.)

Article 21. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate such sums of money as may be necessary, for the establishment of a garbage collection and disposal system, said system to be under the control of the Board of Health, or do or act thereon. (Proposed by the Committee to Investigate Garbage Disposal under Article 27 of the Annual Town Meeting of March 1944.)

Article 22. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$400.00 for Playground Activities, managed under the direction of the Board of Selectmen, or do or act thereon. (Proposed by Margaret J. Weed and thirty-six others.)

Article 23. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00, to defray the expenses of Memorial Day Observance or do or act thereon. (Proposed by Leo L. Bagley Post 161, American Legion.)

Article 24. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$25.00 for the Memorial Day, May 30, 1945 observance exercises, under the auspices of the Choate Post 3276, Veterans of Foreign Wars, or do or act thereon. (Proposed by Choate Post 3276, Veterans of Foreign Wars.)

Article 25. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2762.11, to pay the assessment of the County Commissioners for care and maintenance in connection with the Worcester County Tuberculosis Hospital District, or do or act thereon. (Proposed by the Board of Selectmen.)

Article 26. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept the sum of \$53.04 and any other sums which may be given them by the Salvage Committee or from any other source, for the establishment of a fund for the erection of a permanent Honor Roll for World Wars I and II. (Proposed by the Board of Selectmen.)

And to notify the inhabitants of the First Precinct of the said Town of Southborough, qualified to vote in elections, to meet in the Town House in said Southborough, and the inhabitants of the Second Precinct of the said Town to meet in the South Union School, on

Monday, March 19, 1945

then and there at these places to bring in their votes to the Election Officers of the respective Precincts for: Town Clerk, Treasurer, Collector of Taxes, one member of the Board of Selectmen for the term of three years, one member of the Board of Assessors for the term of three years, one member of the Board of Public Welfare for the term of three years, one member of the School Committee for the term of three years, one Cemetery Commissioner for the term of three years, one member of the Board of Health for the term of three years, one member of the Board of Water Commissioners for the term of three years, two members of the Board of Trustees of the Library for the term of three years, one member of the Board of Trustees of the Library for the term of two years, one member of the Planning Board for the term of five years, and a Tree Warden for one year.

The Polls in each Precinct will be open at six o'clock in the morning and will be closed at eight o'clock in the evening of said day.

And you are to give notice hereof by posting true and attested copies of this warrant at the Town Hall, the Fayville Hall, all the railroad stations in the Town, the Post Offices in Southborough, Fayville, Cordaville and Southville and at the South Union School, seven days at least before the time appointed for such meeting.

Hereof fail not and make due return of this warrant with your doings thereon to the Town Clerk on or before the time set for said meeting.

Given under our hands this nineteenth day of February
in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and
forty-five.

ARTHUR L. HOSMER

GEORGE H. BURNETT

HAMILTON ARMSTRONG

Board of Selectmen.

A true copy, attest:

Constable.

REPORT OF THE ADVISORY COMMITTEE FOR 1944

March 3, 1945

To the CITIZENS OF SOUTHBOROUGH:

The Advisory Committee takes this opportunity to report to the Citizens of the Town on its doings of the past year. In accordance with the Town By-laws we have called before us at various times the Officers and Department Heads for discussion of their budgets and expenditures. As we are directed by said Town By-laws to consider all matters involving expenditures of money, creation of debt or disposition of Town property included within the articles of any Town Warrant.

We endeavor to the best of our ability at these meetings by judicious inquiry and counsel to assist the various departments in their problems and operations keeping always in mind the best interests of the voters and the highest efficiency of the Departments.

We would like at this time to thank the Department Heads and Town Officers for their coöperation with us in the past year. The Committee would also like to call to the voters attention the increase in the amount of the appropriations which we feel is due to the trend of times and a general increase in the cost of labor and materials and also the various departments are forced at this time to replenish their supplies of tools and materials which heretofore they have been unable to obtain because of War conditions.

For the year 1944 the amount appropriated for the Reserve Fund was \$3,000.00 of which \$2,507.60 was transferred to the various departments.

RECOMMENDATIONS CONCERNING ARTICLES IN THE TOWN WARRANT

Article 3. Under this Article come all the appropriations for the General Government of the Town and the recommendations of the Advisory Committee are shown in tabulated form as part of this report.

Article 4. It is recommended that authority be given.

Article 5. It is recommended that authority be granted the specific sum in connection therewith to be reported at the Town Meeting on March 12, 1945.

Article 6. It is recommended that the revenue obtained from the licensing of Dogs be used as a part of the appropriation for the Library.

Article 7. It is recommended that the contributions be accepted and placed in the Town Treasury.

Article 8. It is recommended that authorization be given.

Article 9. It is recommended that the sum of \$300.00 be raised and appropriated.

Article 10. It is recommended that the sum of \$1200.00 be raised and appropriated.

Article 11. It is recommended that the Town vote to increase the Salary of the Board of Health from \$25.00 to \$50.00.

Article 12. It is recommended that the sum of \$370.00 be raised and appropriated.

Article 13. It is recommended that the sum of \$50.00 be raised and appropriated.

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Article 15. It is recommended that the sum of \$692.00 be raised and appropriated.

Article 16. It is recommended that the sum of \$1045.00 be raised and appropriated.

Article 17. It is recommended that the sum of \$6900.00 be raised and appropriated.

Article 18. It is recommended that the sum of \$700.00 be raised and appropriated.

Article 19. It is recommended that the sum of \$1373.00 be raised and appropriated.

Article 20. It is recommended that the sum of \$3500.00 be raised and appropriated.

Article 21. It is recommended to dismiss this article.

Article 22. It is recommended that the sum of \$300.00 be raised and appropriated.

Article 23. It is recommended that the sum of \$150.00 be raised and appropriated.

Article 24. It is recommended that the sum of \$15.00 be raised and appropriated.

Article 25. It is recommended that the sum of \$2762.11 be raised and appropriated.

Article 26. It is recommended that authorization be given.

**REPORT ON SOUTHBOROUGH SERVICE MEN'S
CHRISTMAS GIFTS FUND**

In 1944, 236 Christmas gifts were sent out, and a card sent to one man who requested that he be omitted from the gift list. One box has been returned for lack of sufficient address. A prisoner-of-war package has not been delivered due to present conditions in Germany. 53 gifts have been acknowledged, and letters sent to the Committee have been placed in a book in Fay Library. This year books were sent to officers in this country and to men living at home. Special gifts were sent to the women.

GEORGE H. BURNETT, Chairman
 ELLA C. A. EATON, Secretary
 MARGARET OVESON, Treasurer
 HAMILTON ARMSTRONG
 JOHN W. BOLAND
 WILLIAM J. COLLEARY
 ARTHUR L. HOSMER
 WALTER M. OFFUTT
 ALICE L. TWOMBLY

Receipts

| | |
|---------------------------------|------------|
| Balance on hand January 1944 | \$288.42 |
| Salvage Committee | 135.00 |
| Red Cross | 100.00 |
| Ladies' Home Missionary Society | |
| Pilgrim Church | 10.00 |
| Firemen's Dance | 546.56 |
| Knights of Columbus | 42.05 |
| Individual Contributions | 42.00 |
| | ————— |
| | \$1,164.03 |

Expenditures

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|---|----------|
| 122 overseas boxes, postage & insurance | \$486.31 |
| 86 domestic boxes & postage | 333.76 |
| 23 books | 62.75 |
| 5 special women's gifts & postage | 14.49 |
| 270 enclosure cards and printing | 27.50 |

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| Postage | .61 |
| Bank service charge | .59 |
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| | \$926.01 |

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| March 1945, Balance on hand | \$238.02 |
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This balance is being kept as a permanent fund, with the hope that it may be added to by organizations and individuals throughout the year.

Respectfully submitted,

MARGARET OVESON,

Treasurer

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